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JOB SERVICE OF NEBRASKA

NEBRASKA Work Trends

U.S. EMPLOYMENT BY INDUSTRY, 1950-79 [1]

(Nonagricultural payroll data, in thousands)

May 1980

Year	Total	Mining	Construction	Manufacturing	Transportation and Public Utilities	Wholesale and Retail Trade	Wholesale Trade	Retail Trade	Finance, Insurance, and Real Estate	Services	Government		
											Total	Federal	State and local
1950	45,197	901	2,364	15,241	4,034	9,386	2,635	6,751	1,888	5,357	6,026	1,928	4,098
1951	47,819	929	2,637	16,393	4,226	9,742	2,727	7,015	1,956	5,547	6,389	2,302	4,087
1952	48,793	898	2,668	16,632	4,248	10,004	2,812	7,192	2,035	5,699	6,609	2,420	4,188
1953	50,202	866	2,659	17,549	4,290	10,247	2,854	7,393	2,111	5,835	6,645	2,305	4,340
1954	48,990	791	2,646	16,314	4,084	10,235	2,867	7,368	2,200	5,969	6,751	2,188	4,563
1955	50,641	792	2,839	16,882	4,141	10,535	2,926	7,610	2,298	6,240	6,914	2,187	4,727
1956	52,369	822	3,039	17,243	4,244	10,858	3,018	7,840	2,389	6,497	7,278	2,209	5,069
1957	52,853	828	2,962	17,174	4,241	10,886	3,028	7,858	2,438	6,708	7,616	2,217	5,399
1958	51,324	751	2,817	15,945	3,976	10,750	2,980	7,770	2,481	6,765	7,839	2,191	5,648
1959 [2]	53,268	732	3,004	16,675	4,011	11,127	3,082	8,045	2,549	7,087	8,083	2,233	5,850
1960	54,189	712	2,926	16,796	4,004	11,391	3,143	8,248	2,629	7,378	8,353	2,270	6,083
1961	53,999	672	2,859	16,326	3,903	11,337	3,133	8,204	2,688	7,620	8,594	2,279	6,315
1962	55,549	650	2,948	16,853	3,906	11,566	3,198	8,368	2,754	7,982	8,890	2,340	6,550
1963	56,653	635	3,010	16,995	3,903	11,778	3,248	8,530	2,830	8,277	9,225	2,358	6,868
1964	58,283	634	3,097	17,274	3,951	12,160	3,337	8,823	2,911	8,660	9,596	2,348	7,248
1965	60,765	632	3,232	18,062	4,036	12,716	3,466	9,250	2,977	9,036	10,074	2,378	7,696
1966	63,901	627	3,317	19,214	4,158	13,245	3,597	9,648	3,058	9,498	10,784	2,564	8,220
1967	65,803	613	3,248	19,447	4,268	13,606	3,689	9,917	3,185	10,045	11,391	2,719	8,672
1968	67,897	606	3,350	19,781	4,318	14,099	3,779	10,320	3,337	10,567	11,839	2,737	9,102
1969	70,384	619	3,575	20,167	4,442	14,705	3,907	10,798	3,512	11,169	12,195	2,758	9,437
1970	70,880	623	3,588	19,367	4,515	15,040	3,993	11,047	3,645	11,548	12,554	2,731	9,823
1971	71,214	609	3,704	18,623	4,476	15,352	4,001	11,351	3,772	11,797	12,881	2,696	10,185
1972	73,675	628	3,889	19,151	4,541	15,949	4,113	11,836	3,908	12,276	13,334	2,684	10,649
1973	76,790	642	4,097	20,154	4,656	16,607	4,277	12,329	4,046	12,857	13,732	2,663	11,068
1974	78,265	697	4,020	20,077	4,725	16,987	4,433	12,554	4,148	13,441	14,170	2,724	11,446
1975	76.945	752	3,525	18,323	4,542	17,060	4,415	12,645	4,165	13,892	14,686	2,748	11,937
1976	79,382	779	3,576	18,997	4,582	17,755	4,546	13,209	4,271	14,551	14,871	2,733	12,138
1977	82,423	813	3,851	19,682	4,713	18,516	4,708	13,808	4,467	15,303	15,079	2,727	12,352
1978	86,446	851	4,271	20,476	4,927	19,499	4,957	14,542	4,727	16,220	15,476	2,753	12,723
1979	89,482	957	4,644	20,972	5,154	20,137	5,170	14,966	4,963	17,043	15,612	2,773	12,839

1/ Source of data: Bureau of Labor Statistics, U.S. Department of Labor, as presented in Monthly Labor Review, May 1980.

2/ Data includes Alaska and Hawaii beginning with 1959.

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ESTIMATES OF LABOR FORCE DATA [1]

(Job Seekers and Job Holders - by Residence)

May 1980

	Preliminary May 1980	Revised April 1980	Revised May 1979	Change From: April 1980	Change From: May 1979
NEBRASKA					
Civilian labor force	803,000	788,750	792,900	14,250	10,100
Employment	775,300	762,250	772,900	13,050	2,400
Unemployment	27,700	26,500	20,000	1,200	7,700
Unemployment rate [2]	3.5	3.4	xxx	2.5	xxx
OMAHA SMSA [3]					
Civilian labor force	285,800	283,950	285,150	1,850	650
Employment	273,150	271,650	274,750	1,500	- 1,600
Unemployment	12,650	12,300	10,400	350	2,250
Unemployment rate [2]	4.4	4.3	3.6	xxx	xxx
LINCOLN SMSA [4]					
Civilian labor force	115,600	113,900	112,350	1,700	3,250
Employment	111,700	110,800	109,800	900	1,900
Unemployment	3,900	3,100	2,550	800	1,350
Unemployment rate [2]	3.4	2.7	2.3	xxx	xxx

1/ Totals are rounded to the nearest 50, and subtotals may not add to totals due to rounding.
2/ Ratios of unemployment to civilian labor force, based upon unrounded data.
3/ Douglas and Sarpy Counties in Nebraska and Pottawattamie County in Iowa are considered a single unit of residence for the SMSA concept only. The Nebraska portion of the labor force, estimated at 244,800 is included in the Nebraska total, but the Iowa portion, estimated at 41,000 is excluded from the Nebraska total.
4/ Defined as Lancaster County.
NOTE: The above estimates are based on the March 1979 benchmark. All months are comparable.

UNEMPLOYMENT TRENDS

Nebraska's unemployment showed a rise of 1,200 from April 1980 to May 1980, reaching a new total of 27,700. The May 1980 total was 7,700 more than in May 1979. The unemployment rate increased from a 3.4 percent in April 1980 to 3.5 percent in May 1980, and compared to 2.5 percent in May 1979.

Unemployment totals for the Omaha SMSA increased by 350 from April 1980 to May 1980, and were 2,250 more than in May 1979. The unemployment rate increased from 4.3 percent in April 1980 to 4.4 percent in May 1980, and compared to 3.6 percent in May 1979.

Unemployment in the Lincoln SMSA increased by 800 from April 1980 to May 1980, and increased by 1,350 from May 1979. The unemployment rate rose from 2.7 percent in April 1980 to 3.4 percent in May 1980, and compared to 2.3 percent in May 1979.

Nebraska's labor force is projected to increase by 8,750 from May 1980 to June 1980, reaching a new total of 811,750. The unemployment segment is projected as 30,000, while the employment segment is projected as 781,750.

ESTIMATES OF NEBRASKA NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT DATA 1/ 2/

Job Count - Workers by Industry

INDUSTRY	May 1980 3/	April 1980 4/	May 1979 4/	Change From Apr 1980	Change From May 1979	Percent Change From May 1979
NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE & SALARY	636,300	628,400	632,750	7,900	3,550	0.6
MANUFACTURING	96,050	97,100	98,550	-1,050	-2,500	-2.6
Durable goods	50,650	51,650	53,050	-1,000	-2,400	-4.5
Construction material	4,950	4,900	5,550	50	- 600	-10.9
Lumber & wood products, except furniture	2,100	2,100	2,400	0	- 300	-11.7
Stone, clay, glass & concrete products	2,850	2,800	3,150	50	- 300	-10.2
Furniture & fixtures	1,650	1,700	1,900	- 50	- 250	-13.5
Metals	9,350	9,450	9,750	-100	- 400	- 3.9
Primary metal industries	1,950	2,000	1,800	- 50	150	8.7
Fabricated metal products, except machinery & transportation equipment	7,400	7,500	7,950	-100	- 550	- 6.8
Machinery except electrical	13,400	13,800	13,650	-400	- 250	- 2.1
Farm machinery & equipment	7,800	8,150	8,200	-350	- 400	- 4.6
Electrical & electronic machinery, equipment & supplies	10,350	10,600	10,900	-250	- 550	- 5.3
Transportation equipment	5,450	5,650	5,950	-200	- 500	- 8.4
Motor vehicles & motor vehicle equipment	2,800	2,950	3,300	-150	- 500	-14.2
Other durable goods (including instruments; toys & sporting goods; costume jewelry & notions; etc.)	5,550	5,550	5,350	0	200	4.3
Nondurable goods	45,350	45,400	45,500	- 50	- 150	- 0.3
Food & kindred products	26,800	26,500	26,550	300	250	1.0
Meat products	13,650	13,600	13,350	50	300	2.5
Dairy products	1,850	1,850	2,000	0	- 150	- 8.9
Grain mill	4,550	4,400	4,550	150	0	0.1
Other food products (including canned & preserved products; bakery products; sugar & confectionery products; beverages; etc.)	6,750	6,700	6,650	50	100	1.6
Textile products & apparel	2,250	2,300	2,300	- 50	- 50	- 2.8
Printing, publishing & allied industries	7,500	7,550	7,200	- 50	300	4.4
Chemicals & allied products	2,650	2,600	2,500	50	150	6.1
Other nondurable goods (including rubber & miscellaneous plastics; paper & allied products; etc.)	6,150	6,450	6,950	-300	-800	-11.5
NONMANUFACTURING	540,250	531,300	534,200	8,950	6,050	1.1
MINING	1,600	1,600	1,700	0	- 100	- 5.1
CONSTRUCTION	33,150	31,200	35,000	1,950	-1 350	- 5.3
Building construction - general contractors & operative builders	9,050	9,000	10,100	50	-1,050	-10.5
Construction other than building construction - general contractors	8,900	7,350	8,700	1,550	200	2.4
Construction - special trade contractors	15,150	14,800	16,200	350	-1,050	-6.2
TRANSPORTATION, COMMUNICATIONS, ELECTRIC, GAS, & SANITARY SERVICES	47,050	46,500	46,350	550	700	1.6
Railroad transportation	15,550	15,100	15,300	450	250	1.8
Other transportation (including buses & taxicabs; motor freight transportation & warehousing; etc.)	14,850	14,900	14,850	- 50	0	- 0.1
Communication & electric, gas, & sanitary services	16,650	16,500	16,200	150	450	2.9

ESTIMATES OF NEBRASKA NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT DATA 1/ 2/

Job Count - Workers by Industry

INDUSTRY	May 1980 3/	April 1980 4/	May 1979 4/	Change From Apr 1980	Change From May 1979	Percent Change From May 1979
TRADE	166,150	165,000	165,400	1,150	750	0.4
Wholesale	48,200	48,250	47,650	- 50	550	1.2
Durable	24,950	25,100	24,850	-150	100	0.3
Nondurable	23,250	23,100	22,800	150	450	2.0
Retail	117,950	116,750	117,750	1,200	200	0.2
Building materials, hardware, garden supply, & mobile home dealers	5,950	5,950	6,300	0	-350	-5.6
General merchandise stores	15,950	15,600	16,250	350	-300	-1.6
Food stores	15,600	15,550	15,250	50	350	2.5
Automotive dealers & gasoline service stations	16,450	16,450	17,100	0	-650	-3.7
Apparel & accessory stores	5,900	6,050	6,350	-150	-450	-7.3
Furniture, home furnishings, & equipment stores	4,150	4,150	4,200	0	- 50	-1.0
Eating & drinking places	42,150	41,250	40,450	900	1,700	4.2
Miscellaneous retail	11,750	11,700	11,850	50	-100	-1.0
Drug stores & proprietary stores	3,450	3,450	3,450	0	0	-0.5
Other miscellaneous retail (including liquor stores; sporting goods stores; jewelry; florists; etc.)	8,300	8,250	8,400	50	-100	-1.2
FINANCE, INSURANCE, & REAL ESTATE	42,450	41,900	40,650	550	1,800	4.4
Banking	10,600	10,550	10,300	50	300	2.8
Insurance	20,450	20,200	19,700	250	750	3.7
Real estate	5,100	4,800	4,600	300	500	11.1
Other finance, insurance, & real estate (including credit agencies other than banks; security & commodity exchange & services; etc.)	6,350	6,350	6,050	0	300	4.3
SERVICES EXCEPT DOMESTIC	120,500	118,200	115,250	2,300	5,250	4.6
Hotels, rooming houses, camps, & other lodging places	7,000	6,900	7,350	100	-350	-4.5
Personal services	6,300	6,300	6,050	0	250	3.9
Business services	17,500	17,750	17,050	-250	450	2.5
Automotive repair, services, & garages	4,050	4,150	4,000	-100	50	2.1
Amusement & recreation	7,850	7,250	6,400	600	1,450	22.7
Health services	41,250	41,100	39,050	150	2,200	5.7
Educational services	8,550	8,450	8,350	100	200	2.3
Social services	6,000	5,950	5,850	50	150	2.8
Membership organizations	9,550	8,550	9,800	1,000	-250	-2.7
Other services (including legal & other professional services; miscellaneous repair services; agricultural services; etc.)	12,400	11,800	11,350	600	1,050	9.6
GOVERNMENT	129,350	126,900	129,850	2,450	-500	-0.4
Federal	17,950	17,900	16,250	50	1,700	10.5
State	33,300	32,000	33,050	1,300	250	0.7
Local	78,100	77,000	80,550	1,100	-2,450	-3.0

1/ Rounded to nearest 50, and subtotals may not add to totals due to rounding. Percent change based on unrounded data.
2/ Source of data: Current Employment Statistics Program.
3/ Preliminary estimate. 4/ Revised.
NOTE: These estimates are based on March 1979 benchmark. All months are comparable.

MAY 1980 IN REVIEW . . . . . .

Employment in Nebraska's nonagricultural industries increased by 7,900 from April 1980 to May 1980. During that period, manufacturing dropped by 1,050, but at the same time nonmanufacturing employment rose by 8,950.

The decrease of 1,050 in manufacturing was almost entirely in durable goods (-1,000). Approximately two-thirds of that loss occurred in two categories: machinery except electrical and electrical-electronic machinery, equipment and supplies. Employment in the field of machinery except electrical dropped by 400 month-to-month, with most of that in farm machinery and equipment (-350). Nondurable goods had only a very slight dip of 50 from April 1980 to May 1980.

All other industries showed month-to-month gains, primarily seasonal in nature. These increases included government (2,450), services (2,300), construction/mining (1,950), trade (1,150), finance-insurance-real estate (550), and transportation-communication-utilities. Employment increases in government primarily reflected the customary seasonal increase in outdoor-related activities and in summer school hiring. The largest gains in services were in amusement and recreation (600), and in membership organizations (1,000). The increase in trade was entirely in retail (1,200), while wholesale actually experienced a very small drop (-50). The major gain in retail was in eating and drinking places (900).

ANNUAL CHANGES . . . . . .

Employment in Nebraska's nonagricultural industries increased by 3,550 from May 1979 to May 1980. This included a reduction in manufacturing employment of 2,500, along with a gain of 6,050 in nonmanufacturing employment.

The drop of 2,500 in manufacturing included a decline of 2,400 in durable goods, with the remainder of the decrease in nondurable goods. Over two-thirds of the drop in durable goods occurred in three categories: construction material (-600), electrical-electronic machinery, equipment and supplies (-550), and transportation equipment (-500).

Year-to-year increases were registered in services (5,250), finance-insurance-real estate (1,800), trade (750), and transportation-communication-real estate (700). Over two-thirds of the increase in services occurred in amusement and recreation (1,450), and health services (2,200). The gain in trade of 750 was divided between a rise of 550 in wholesale trade and a gain of 200 in retail trade.

From May 1979 to May 1980, losses were registered by construction/mining (-1,950), and government (-500).

OUTLOOK . . . . . .

Employment activity in July 1980 is projected to show a moderate rise in construction/mining and a small gain in transportation-communication-utilities, both reflecting customary seasonal changes. Agricultural activity in Nebraska normally reaches its peak tempo in July, and farm employment should show a substantial increase. A small decrease is expected in manufacturing. Government is expected to have a customary seasonal drop, primarily in educational services. It is anticipated that employment levels will remain relatively unchanged in trade, finance-insurance-real estate and services.

WORKER SUPPLY AND EMPLOYER DEMAND - APPLICANTS AND NONAGRICULTURAL OPENINGS IN NEBRASKA JOB SERVICE OFFICES 1/

May 1980

	Applicants Available FY to date 2/	Active File	Nonag Job Openings			Applicants/ Openings FY to date	Active File/ Unfill.Open End-of-mo.	Unfilled Openings 30 days + % of total
			Received FY to date 2/	Unfilled Total	Unfilled 30 days or more			
TOTAL 3/	93,236	31,941	41,752	4,538	3,367	2.23	7.04	74.2
0 - 1 Professional, technical and managerial	10,206	3,466	3,484	1,522	1,317	2.93	2.28	86.5
2 Clerical and sales	24,506	7,639	10,398	1,568	1,171	2.36	4.87	74.7
Entry codes 4/	5,568	1,728	------	-----	-----	----	----	----
20-24 Clerical	14,465	4,449	8,328	1,310	1,001	1.74	3.40	76.4
25-29 Sales	4,473	1,462	2,070	258	170	2.16	5.67	65.9
3 Service	14,126	4,923	7,740	579	318	1.83	8.50	54.9
Entry codes 4/	2,459	822	------	------	-----	----	----	----
30 Domestic	944	341	1,513	54	22	.62	6.31	40.7
31-39 Other	10,723	3,760	6,227	525	296	1.72	7.16	56.4
4 Farm, forestry, fisheries	2,824	890	1,063	60	21	2.66	14.83	35.0
5 Processing	2,394	738	2,275	26	18	1.05	28.38	69.2
6 Machine trades	4,325	1,639	1,449	95	56	2.98	17.25	58.9
7 Bench work	4,340	1,537	1,320	74	34	3.29	20.77	45.9
8 Structural work	11,357	4,233	4,608	195	105	2.46	21.71	53.8
9 Miscellaneous	13,380	4,679	9,350	185	94	1.43	25.29	50.8
Entry codes 4/	2,837	923	-----	-----	-----	----	----	----
90-91 Motor freight transp.	4,617	1,598	3,550	79	41	1.30	20.23	51.9
92 Packaging, materials handling	5,526	2,008	5,427	72	25	1.02	27.88	34.7
93-97 Other 5/	400	150	373	34	28	1.07	4.41	82.4

1/ Source of data: ESARS (Employment Security Automated Reporting System).
2/ Period covered: 10-1-79 through May 31, 1980. FY 1980 defined as 10-1-79 through 9-30-80.
3/ Total includes occupational codes not assigned.
4/ Applicants for whom a complete occupational code cannot be assigned because of lack of training/experience.
5/ Includes mining, logging, utilities, miscellaneous amusement and recreation, graphic art work.

JOB OPENINGS IN NEBRASKA JOB SERVICE OFFICES [1/]

By Occupation

May 1980

Occupational Category	OPENINGS AVAILABLE				OPENINGS UNFILLED AT MONTH END			
	Number		Average Pay		Total		Unfilled 30 Days or More	
	Current	Last Month	Current	Last Month	Current	Last Month	Current	Last Month
TOTAL, ALL OCCUPATIONS	4,403	5,140	$ 9,067/yr	$ 8,940/yr	1,826	2,512	1,050	1,359
Professional, technical, and managerial	769	892	11,746/yr	11,429/yr	588	650	407	433
Clerical and Sales	1,156	1,378	7,866/yr	7,633/yr	510	755	246	402
Service	803	817	3.43/hr	3.52/hr	288	402	149	216
Farming, fishery, forestry, and related	149	170	3.74/hr	3.75/hr	35	64	14	29
Processing	217	266	4.75/hr	5.08/hr	38	42	29	26
Machine trades	234	311	5.29/hr	5.11/hr	79	141	45	62
Bench work	149	185	3.67/hr	3.64/hr	63	77	30	32
Structural work	576	610	4.67/hr	4.46/hr	152	245	91	93
Miscellaneous	350	511	4.64/hr	4.47/hr	73	136	39	66

1/ Source of data: Job Bank data from Nebraska Job Service offices.

ESTIMATES OF HOURS AND EARNINGS IN NEBRASKA MANUFACTURING [1]

May 1980

	AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS			AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS			AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS		
	May 1980[2]	Apr 1980[3]	May 1979[3]	May 1980[2]	Apr 1980[3]	May 1979[3]	May 1980[2]	Apr 1980[3]	May 1979[3]
MANUFACTURING - TOTAL	$289.48	$290.88	$267.56	39.6	40.4	41.1	$7.31	$7.20	$6.51
Durable goods	281.95	288.35	269.44	39.6	40.9	42.1	7.12	7.05	6.40
Lumber, stone, clay, glass products	258.40	249.55	239.55	40.0	39.8	42.1	6.46	6.27	5.69
Primary and fabricated metals	279.62	286.31	267.30	38.2	40.1	41.7	7.32	7.14	6.41
Machinery and transportation equipment	305.92	315.17	296.35	40.2	41.8	43.2	7.61	7.54	6.86
Nondurable goods	297.79	293.72	265.73	39.6	39.8	39.9	7.52	7.38	6.66
Food and kindred products	331.30	323.58	289.60	40.7	40.6	40.0	8.14	7.97	7.24
Meat products	360.96	348.39	312.05	41.3	40.7	39.5	8.74	8.56	7.90
Dairy products	211.70	208.05	195.52	36.5	36.5	37.6	5.80	5.70	5.20
Grain mill products	408.97	404.49	331.78	45.9	46.6	45.7	8.91	8.68	7.26
Bakery products	238.00	229.84	242.53	35.0	33.8	35.2	6.80	6.80	6.89
Other food and kindred products	215.72	215.39	212.82	36.5	37.2	37.6	5.91	5.79	5.66
Printing and publishing	243.76	250.33	238.80	36.6	37.7	39.8	6.66	6.64	6.00
Chemicals and allied products	293.85	301.40	259.16	45.0	44.0	41.4	6.53	6.85	6.26

1/ Source of data: Current Employment Statistics Program.
2/ Preliminary.
3/ Revised.

Average weekly earnings in Nebraska manufacturing dropped by $1.40 from April 1980 to May 1980. This included a gain of $4.07 in nondurable goods that was more than counterbalanced by a drop of $6.40 in durable goods. Year-to-year, average weekly earnings increased $21.29, including a gain of $12.51 in durable goods and a rise of $32.06 in nondurable goods.

Average weekly hours dipped by 0.8 hours month-to-month, and also declined by 1.5 hours year-to-year.

Average hourly earnings increased $.11 month-to-month, and also gained year-to-year by $.80.

ESTIMATES OF ACCESSION AND SEPARATION RATES IN NEBRASKA MANUFACTURING [1]

(per 1,000 workers)

April 1980

INDUSTRY	ACCESSION RATES						SEPARATION RATES								
	Total			New Hires			Total			Quits			Layoffs		
	Apr 1980 [2]	Mar 1980 [3]	Apr 1979 [3]	Apr 1980 [2]	Mar 1980 [3]	Apr 1979 [3]	Apr 1980 [2]	Mar 1980 [3]	Apr 1979 [3]	Apr 1980 [2]	Mar 1980 [3]	Apr 1979 [3]	Apr 1980 [2]	Mar 1980 [3]	Apr 1979 [3]
MANUFACTURING - TOTAL	26	29	44	21	25	39	44	35	43	20	19	31	16	8	4
Durable goods	23	29	51	17	25	46	45	34	42	19	18	31	17	8	4
Lumber, stone, clay, glass products	44	41	78	26	33	56	50	38	45	21	18	43	17	15	[4]
Furniture and fixtures	10	38	48	10	37	47	37	13	38	22	5	26	2	1	[4]
Primary and fabricated metals	25	39	57	15	35	53	36	36	42	16	17	29	14	12	[4]
Machinery and transportation equipment	16	20	46	14	16	43	46	31	39	18	16	29	20	7	1
Other durable goods	37	54	41	30	45	39	47	52	64	26	40	42	8	1	13
Nondurable goods	30	28	37	26	25	30	43	36	45	20	21	31	16	7	6
Food and kindred products	31	25	37	26	22	28	41	37	45	21	20	30	13	7	6
Meat products	30	25	41	27	23	31	47	36	55	24	19	34	15	6	8
Dairy products	22	3	31	22	3	29	14	25	42	5	16	31	5	[4]	6
Grain mill products	21	19	23	14	17	17	23	28	25	17	13	19	2	7	1
Bakery products	35	37	39	31	29	26	31	31	29	21	21	23	2	[4]	[4]
Other food and kindred products	46	38	42	36	29	30	58	50	48	26	30	34	27	13	8
Textiles and apparel	54	75	62	51	66	49	49	51	55	33	43	38	12	4	8
Paper and allied products	14	23	25	13	22	24	24	17	50	15	12	24	4	1	17
Printing and publishing	31	31	41	30	29	37	40	31	43	26	23	25	8	[4]	3
Chemicals and allied products	24	29	26	24	28	24	16	20	24	7	7	15	5	8	9
Petroleum, rubber, plastic products and leather	22	19	34	13	14	31	77	54	52	11	23	38	57	23	5

[1] Source of data: Labor Turnover Program.

NOTE: Accessions other than new hires, and separations other than quits and layoffs are not shown separately, but are included in the appropriate totals.

[2] Preliminary.
[3] Revised.
[4] Less than one-half.

Accessions in Nebraska manufacturing dropped from 29 per 1,000 workers in March 1980 to 26 per 1,000 in April 1980. During that period, durable goods declined from 29 per 1,000 to 23 per 1,000, while nondurable goods gained from 28 per 1,000 to 30 per 1,000. Year-to-year, accessions in manufacturing decreased from 44 per 1,000 to 26 per 1,000. During that period, durable goods dropped from 51 per 1,000 to 23 per 1,000, and nondurable goods also declined from 37 per 1,000 to 30 per 1,000. Separations increased month-to-month from 35 per 1,000 to 44 per 1,000. Year-to-year, separations had only a slight increase - from 43 per 1,000 to 44 per 1,000.

SELECTED UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE ACTIVITIES

May 1980

	May 1980	April 1980	May 1979
UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE (STATE UI)			
CLAIMS RECEIVED - AREA CLAIMS CENTERS			
Initial claims	7,839	6,495	4,003
Weeks claimed	39,600	48,414	25,189
BENEFIT ACTIVITIES			
Payments from UI funds	$3,047,219	$3,801,591	$1,481,731
Calendar year to date	$21,089,520	$18,235,668	$14,384,398
Average size of weekly payments	$93.27	$92.17	$77.86
First payments	3,370	3,076	1,814
Exhaustions	1,038	1,321	654
Individuals who drew benefits	12,637	14,846	6,781
Rate of insured unemployment	1.6	1.8	1.0
UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION FOR FEDERAL EMPLOYEES (UCFE)			
Payments from UCFE funds	$51,555	$58,515	$48,470
Average size of weekly payments	$73.13	$73.05	$66.86
First payments	49	39	32
Exhaustions	26	20	28
UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION FOR EX-SERVICEMEN (UCX)			
Payments from UCX funds	$31,249	$30,481	$15,301
Average size of weekly payments	$90.31	$82.16	$79.28
First payments	31	27	32
Exhaustions	2	1	0
COVERAGE AND CONTRIBUTIONS			
Subject employers - end of month	38,534	38,568	37,115
Contributions received	$9,687,618	$4,911,008	$8,797,850
FINANCIAL DATA			
End of month fund balance	$84,241,478	$77,238,867	$72,122,876

UI initial claims in area claims centers increased from 6,495 in April 1980 to 7,839 in May 1980. Weeks claimed decreased from 48,414 in April to 39,600 in May 1980.

UI benefit payments decreased from 3.8 million in April to 3.0 million in May 1980.

The number of insured unemployed decreased from 10,783 in April to 9,513 in May 1980. The rate of insured unemployment decreased from 1.8% in April to 1.6% in May 1980.

The year-to-date contributions stood at 21.4 million compared to 17.8 million one year ago.

The fund balance stood at 84.2 million in May 1980 compared to 72.1 million one year ago.

NEBRASKA

CHARACTERISTICS OF THE INSURED UNEMPLOYED [1/]

May 1980

	Amount	Percent of total
SEX:		
Male	6,071	63.2
Female	3,540	36.8
RACE/ETHNIC:		
White	8,645	89.9
All other races	966	10.1
AGE:		
Under 22	2,835	29.5
22 - 44	4,592	47.7
45 and over	2,184	22.8
WEEKS UNEMPLOYED:		
4 or less	4,543	47.3
5 - 14	3,663	38.1
15 and over	1,405	14.6

	Amount	Percent of total
OCCUPATION:		
Professional, technical and managerial	1,282	13.3
Clerical and sales	1,549	16.1
Service	729	7.6
Farm and related	103	1.1
Processing	441	4.6
Machine trades	655	6.8
Bench work	786	8.2
Structural work	2,555	26.6
Miscellaneous	1,511	15.7
INDUSTRY:		
Construction and mining	1,846	19.2
Manufacturing	3,355	34.9
Durable goods	1,925	20.0
Nondurable goods	1,430	14.9
Transportation, Communication and utilities	433	4.5
Trade (Wholesale & Retail)	1,677	17.5
Finance, insurance and real estate	258	2.7
Services	1,118	11.6
Government	243	2.5
Other	681	7.1

1/ Source of data: Percentages computed from a count of all insured unemployed claimants filing at the Nebraska UI AREA CLAIMS CENTERS for a one-week period including the 19th of the month. The insured claimant count for May was 9,611.

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THE CONSUMER PRICE INDEX

Facts About the Consumer Price Index

The Consumer Price Index (CPI) is a statistical measure of change, over time, in the prices of goods and services in major expenditure groups - such as food and beverages, housing, apparel, transportation, medical care, and entertainment - typically purchased by urban consumers. It measures the change in prices by comparing what a sample "market basket" of goods and services cost today with what the same sample market basket cost at an earlier date.

The CPI for All Urban Consumers covers about 80 percent of the total noninstitutional population. It includes, in addition to wage earners and clerical workers, groups which historically have been excluded from CPI coverage - salaried workers, the self-employed, retirees, and the unemployed.

The CPI for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers covers about 40 percent of the total noninstitutional population.

U. S. CITY AVERAGE

CONSUMER PRICE INDEX, MAY 1980

	ALL URBAN CONSUMERS (CPI-U)			WAGE EARNERS AND CLERICAL WORKERS (CPI-W)		
	INDEX 1967=100	Percent Change From 1 Month Ago	Percent Change From 1 Year Ago	INDEX 1967=100	Percent Change From 1 Month Ago	Percent Change From 1 Year Ago
ALL ITEMS	244.9	1.0	14.4	245.1	1.0	14.4
FOOD AND BEVERAGES	244.1	0.5	7.0	244.7	0.6	7.2
Food	250.4	0.5	6.9	251.0	0.6	7.2
Food at home	246.5	0.5	5.6	246.1	0.4	5.7
Cereals & bakery products	244.5	1.0	13.1	244.4	0.9	12.7
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	231.5	-1.5	-4.4	230.7	-1.5	-4.4
Dairy products	226.2	1.7	11.0	226.9	1.7	11.1
Fruits and vegetables	246.6	2.4	8.7	245.5	2.4	9.2
Other foods at home	298.1	1.0	12.1	298.0	1.2	12.3
Food away from home	264.6	0.6	9.7	267.6	0.9	10.6
Alcoholic beverages	185.4	0.8	8.1	186.9	1.0	8.7
HOUSING	261.7	1.5	17.7	261.7	1.5	17.7
Shelter	280.2	1.5	20.0	281.6	1.6	20.3
Rent (residential)	188.9	1.0	8.7	188.7	1.0	8.6
Other rental costs	261.9	0.5	13.7	261.7	0.5	14.0
Homeownership	312.9	1.7	22.8	315.4	1.7	23.3
Fuel and other utilities	275.9	2.0	18.8	276.4	2.0	18.9
Fuels	346.4	2.5	26.1	346.0	2.5	26.0
Fuel oil, coal, & bottled gas	556.0	-0.1	52.6	557.1	-0-	52.7
Gas (piped) & electricity	298.2	3.5	18.5	297.5	3.4	18.3
Household furnishings & operation	204.2	0.6	7.9	201.9	0.6	7.3
APPAREL AND UPKEEP	177.5	0.1	6.9	176.8	0.4	6.7
Men's & boys' apparel	168.0	0.7	4.9	168.9	1.0	5.0
Women's & girls' apparel	154.1	-1.2	0.6	154.1	-0 4	1.4
Footwear	189.3	0.5	8.2	189.3	0.6	8.0
TRANSPORTATION	249.0	0.9	19.9	249.9	0.9	19.8
Private transportation	249.2	0.9	19.8	250.1	0.8	19.8
Public transportation	239.5	1.5	23.9	232.9	1.4	19.9
MEDICAL CARE	263.4	0.5	11.5	264.9	0.7	12.1
Medical care services	284.7	0.5	11.9	286.3	0.6	12.7
ENTERTAINMENT	204.0	0.7	8.6	202.4	0.5	8.2
OTHER GOODS AND SERVICES	211.2	0.7	8.9	210.6	0.7	8.7
ALL ITEMS (1957-59=100)	284.8			285.1		

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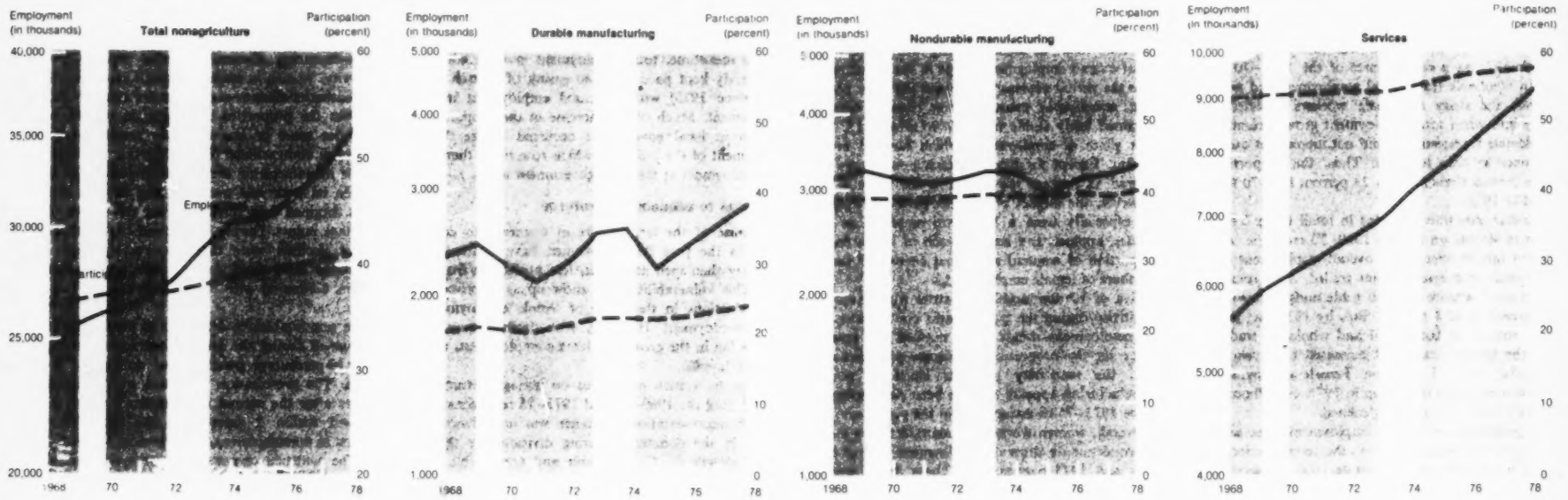
NEBRASKA Work Trends

June 1980

U.S. NUMBER AND PROPORTION OF WOMEN EMPLOYED IN NONAGRICULTURAL INDUSTRIES, 1968-78 ANNUAL AVERAGES 1/



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ESTIMATES OF LABOR FORCE DATA 1/

(Job Seekers and Job Holders - By Residence)

JUNE 1980

	PRELIMINARY	REVISED		CHANGE FROM:	
	Jun 1980	May 1980	Jun 1979	May 1980	Jun 1979
NEBRASKA					
Civilian labor force	810,100	801,100	810,450	9,000	- 350
Employment	776,350	773,400	783,650	2,950	-7,300
Unemployment	33,750	27,700	26,800	6,050	6,950
Unemployment rate 2/	4.2	3.5	3.3	xxx	xxx
OMAHA SMSA 3/					
Civilian labor force	288,400	285,450	287,850	2,950	550
Employment	272,650	273,500	274,950	- 850	-2,300
Unemployment	15,750	11,950	12,900	3,800	2,850
Unemployment rate 2/	5.5	4.2	4.5	xxx	xxx
LINCOLN SMSA 4/					
Civilian labor force	115,050	115,500	113,950	- 450	1,100
Employment	111,000	111,600	110,800	- 600	200
Unemployment	4,050	3,900	3,150	150	900
Unemployment rate 2/	3.5	3.4	2.8	xxx	xxx

1/ Totals are rounded to the nearest 50, and subtotals may not add to totals due to rounding.

2/ Ratios of unemployment to civilian labor force, based upon unrounded data.

3/ Douglas and Sarpy Counties in Nebraska and Pottawattamie County in Iowa are considered a single unit of residence for the SMSA concept only. The Nebraska portion of the labor force, estimated at 247,100 is included in the Nebraska total, but the Iowa portion, estimated at 41,300 is excluded from the Nebraska total.

4/ Defined as Lancaster County.

NOTE: The above estimates are based on the March 1979 benchmark. All months are comparable.

UNEMPLOYMENT TRENDS

Nebraska's unemployment increased by 6,050 from May 1980 to June 1980, reaching a new total of 33,750. The May 1980 total was 6,950 more than in May 1979. The unemployment rate increased from 3.5 in May 1980 to 4.2 in June 1980, and compared to 3.3 in June 1979.

Unemployment totals for the Omaha SMSA increased by 3,800 from May 1980 to June 1980, and were 2,850 more than in June 1979. The unemployment rates increased from 4.2 in May 1980 to 5.5 in June 1980, and compared to 4.5 in June 1979.

Unemployment in the Lincoln SMSA increased by 150 from May 1980 to June 1980, and increased by 900 from June 1979. The unemployment rate increased from 3.4 in May 1980 to 3.5 in June 1980, and compared to 2.8 in June 1979.

Nebraska's labor force is projected to increase by 300 from June 1980 to July 1980, reaching a new total of 810,400. The unemployment segment is projected as 33,750, while the employment segment is projected as 776,650.

ESTIMATES OF NEBRASKA NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT DATA 1/ 2/

Job Count - Workers by Industry

INDUSTRY	Jun 1980 3/	May 1980 4/	Jun 1979 4/	Change From May 1980	Change From Jun 1979	Percent Change From Jun 1979
NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE & SALARY	634,300	634,250	641,200	50	-6,900	- 1.1
MANUFACTURING	95,250	95,550	99,950	-300	-4,700	- 4.7
Durable goods	49,450	50,300	53,650	-850	-4,200	- 7.9
Construction material	4,950	4,850	5,750	100	- 800	-13.9
Lumber & wood products, except furniture	2,050	2,100	2,550	- 50	- 500	-18.7
Stone, clay, glass & concrete products	2,900	2,800	3,200	100	- 300	-10.1
Furniture & fixtures	1,650	1,650	1,850	0	- 200	-10.8
Metals	9,250	9,300	9,750	- 50	- 500	- 5.4
Primary metal industries	2,000	1,950	1,850	50	150	9.0
Fabricated metal products, except machinery & transportation equipment	7,250	7,350	7,950	-100	- 700	- 8.7
Machinery except electrical	13,150	13,400	14,050	-250	- 900	- 6.4
Farm machinery & equipment	7,600	7,800	8,350	-200	- 750	- 8.8
Electrical & electronic machinery, equipment & supplies	9,800	10,250	10,850	-450	-1,050	- 9.6
Transportation equipment	5,250	5,400	6,100	-150	- 850	-14.3
Motor vehicles & motor vehicle equipment	2,600	2,800	3,300	-200	- 700	-20.3
Other durable goods (including instruments; toys & sporting goods; costume jewelry & notions; etc.)	5,400	5,500	5,300	-100	100	1.8
Nondurable goods	45,800	45,300	46,300	500	- 500	- 1.1
Food & kindred products	27,450	26,800	27,250	650	200	0.8
Meat products	13,850	13,700	13,550	150	300	2.3
Dairy products	1,900	1,850	2,050	50	- 150	- 7.1
Grain mill	4,950	4,600	4,900	350	50	1.0
Other food products (including canned & preserved products; bakery products; sugar & confectionery products; beverages; etc.)	6,750	6,650	6,750	100	0	- 0.1
Textile products & apparel	2,250	2,250	2,300	0	- 50	- 1.2
Printing, publishing & allied industries	7,550	7,500	7,250	50	300	4.5
Chemicals & allied products	2,700	2,650	2,500	50	200	7.4
Other nondurable goods (including rubber & miscellaneous plastics; paper & allied products; etc.)	5,850	6,100	7,050	-250	-1,200	-16.9
NONMANUFACTURING	539,050	538,700	541,250	350	-2,200	- 0.4
MINING	1,600	1,600	1,850	0	- 250	-11.4
CONSTRUCTION	33,450	33,500	38,000	- 50	-4,550	-12.0
Building construction - general contractors & operative builders	8,950	9,200	11,100	-250	-2,150	-19.4
Construction other than building construction - general contractors	9,350	9,200	9,900	150	- 550	- 5.7
Construction - special trade contractors	15,150	15,100	17,000	50	-1,850	-10.9
TRANSPORTATION, COMMUNICATIONS, ELECTRIC, GAS, & SANITARY SERVICES	47,000	46,550	47,400	450	- 400	- 0.8
Railroad transportation	15,650	15,400	15,850	250	- 200	- 1.4
Other transportation (including buses & taxicabs; motor freight transportation & warehousing; etc.)	14,700	14,600	15,150	100	- 450	- 3.1
Communication & electric, gas, & sanitary services	16,700	16,550	16,400	150	300	1.9

TRADE	165,350	165,950	165,550	-600	- 200	- 0.1
Wholesale	48,350	48,200	47,850	150	500	1.0
Durable	24,900	24,950	25,150	- 50	- 250	- 1.1
Nondurable	23,450	23,250	22,700	200	750	3.4
Retail	117,050	117,700	117,700	-650	- 650	- 0.6
Building materials, hardware, garden supply, & mobile home dealers	6,200	6,150	6,300	50	- 100	- 0.9
General merchandise stores	15,500	16,050	16,250	-550	- 750	- 4.6
Food stores	15,500	15,600	15,200	-100	300	2.2
Automotive dealers & gasoline service stations	16,650	16,450	17,150	200	- 500	- 3.1
Apparel & accessory stores	5,800	5,900	6,250	-100	- 450	- 7.5
Furniture, home furnishings, & equipment stores	4,150	4,150	4,100	0	50	1.2
Eating & drinking places	41,750	41,650	40,700	100	1,050	2.6
Miscellaneous retail	11,500	11,700	11,800	-200	- 300	- 2.7
Drug stores & proprietary stores	3,400	3,400	3,450	0	- 50	- 1.3
Other miscellaneous retail (including liquor stores; sporting goods stores; jewelry; florists; etc.)	8,100	8,300	8,350	-200	- 250	- 3.3
FINANCE, INSURANCE, & REAL ESTATE	42,750	42,350	41,300	400	1,450	3.5
Banking	10,600	10,550	10,500	50	100	0.9
Insurance	20,650	20,400	19,900	250	750	3.8
Real estate	5,150	5,100	4,700	50	450	9.7
Other finance, insurance, & real estate (including credit agencies other than banks; security & commodity exchange & services; etc.)	6,350	6,300	6,200	50	150	2.5
SERVICES EXCEPT DOMESTIC	119,000	120,200	115,800	-1,200	3,200	2.8
Hotels, rooming houses, camps, & other lodging places	7,500	7,300	7,550	200	- 50	- 1.1
Personal services	6,300	6,300	6,100	0	200	2.7
Business services	17,500	17,500	17,100	0	400	2.4
Automotive repair, services, & garages	4,100	4,100	4,000	0	100	1.9
Amusement & recreation	7,750	7,500	7,200	250	550	7.5
Health services	41,550	41,350	39,650	200	1,900	4.8
Educational services	6,550	8,350	7,100	-1,800	- 550	- 8.0
Social services	5,850	6,000	5,800	-150	50	1.6
Membership organizations	9,450	9,450	9,750	0	- 300	- 3.1
Other services (including legal & other professional services; miscellaneous repair services; agricultural services; etc.)	12,450	12,350	11,500	100	950	8.3
GOVERNMENT	129,900	128,550	131,350	1,350	-1,450	- 1.1
Federal	17,450	17,300	16,450	150	1,000	6.1
State	35,200	33,300	35,050	1,900	150	0.3
Local	77,250	77,950	79,850	-700	-2,600	- 3.2

1/ Rounded to nearest 50, and subtotals may not add to totals due to rounding. Percent change based on unrounded data.
2/ Source of data: Current Employment Statistics Program.
3/ Preliminary estimate.
4/ Revised.

NOTE: These estimates are based on March 1979 benchmark. All months are comparable.

JUNE 1980 IN REVIEW . . . . . .

Employment in Nebraska's nonagricultural industries showed a small increase of 50 from May 1980 to June 1980. During that period manufacturing employment dropped by 300 but this was offset by a gain of 350 in nonmanufacturing.

The decrease of 300 in manufacturing included a drop of 850 in durable goods, along with a rise of 500 in nondurable goods. The largest loss in durable goods occurred in electrical and electronic machinery, equipment and supplies (-450). The chief gain in nondurable goods was in food and kindred products (650).

Month-to-month increases occurred in government (1,350), transportation-communication-utilities (450), and finance-insurance-real estate (400). The increase in government was largely in state government, primarily reflecting normal seasonal increases in outdoor related activities and hiring associated with summer school.

Month-to-month decreases occurred in services (-1,200), trade (-600), and construction/mining (-50). The major decrease in services was in educational services, following customary seasonal trends.

ANNUAL CHANGES . . . . . .

Employment in Nebraska's nonagricultural industries declined by 6,900 from June 1979 to June 1980. This included a drop of 4,700 in manufacturing, and a reduction of 2,200 in nonmanufacturing.

The decline of 4,700 in manufacturing included a drop of 4,200 in durable goods and a dip of 500 in nondurable goods. Almost two-thirds of the decline in durable goods occurred in three categories: machinery except electrical (-900), electrical and electronic machinery, equipment and supplies (-1,050), and transportation equipment (-850).

Year-to-year increases occurred in finance-insurance-real estate (1,450), and in services (3,200). The largest gain in services was in health services (1,900).

Year-to-year losses occurred in construction/mining (-6,700), transportation-communication-utilities (-400), trade (-200), and government (-1,450).

OUTLOOK. . . . . .

Employment activity in August 1980 is expected to include a slight gain in construction/mining, a small increase in trade and also a small rise in services. It is anticipated that government will experience a slight drop. Agriculture is expected to have a substantial decrease, following customary seasonal trends. Employment levels are expected to remain relatively unchanged in manufacturing, transportation-communication-utilities and in finance-insurance-real estate.

WORKER SUPPLY AND EMPLOYER DEMAND - APPLICANTS AND NONAGRICULTURAL OPENINGS IN NEBRASKA JOB SERVICE OFFICES [1]

June 1980

		Applicants Available FY to date [2]	Active File	Nonag Job Openings Received FY to date [2]	Unfilled Total	Unfilled 30 days or more	Applicants/ Openings FY to date	Active File/ Unfilled Openings End-of-mo.	Unfilled Openings 30 days + % of total
TOTAL [3]		102,381	33,419	47,043	4,241	3,062	2.18	7.88	72.2
0 - 1	Professional, technical and managerial	11,098	3,650	3,905	1,553	1,308	2.84	2.35	84.2
2	Clerical and sales	26,651	7,883	11,478	1,371	1,059	2.32	5.75	77.2
	Entry codes [4]	6,012	1,666	------	-----	-----	-----	-----	----
	20-24 Clerical	15,778	4,687	9,229	1,171	911	1.71	4.00	77.8
	25-29 Sales	4,861	1,530	2,249	200	148	2.16	7.65	74.0
3	Service	15,803	5,337	8,964	487	229	1.76	10.96	47.0
	Entry codes [4]	2,789	870	------	----	-----	-----	-----	----
	30 Domestic	1,059	374	1,721	41	17	0.62	9.12	41.5
	31-39 Other	11,955	4,093	7,243	446	212	1.65	9.18	47.5
4	Farm, forestry, fisheries	3,348	951	1,342	73	10	2.49	13.00	13.7
5	Processing	2,531	728	2,462	18	6	1.03	40.40	33.3
6	Machine trades	4,753	1,773	1,558	63	34	3.05	28.10	54.0
7	Bench work	4,752	1,638	1,422	53	27	3.34	30.91	50.9
8	Structural work	12,597	4,370	5,333	228	72	2.36	19.17	31.6
9	Miscellaneous	14,437	4,794	10,507	158	84	1.37	30.34	53.2
	Entry codes [4]	3,029	924	------	-----	-----	-----	-----	----
	90-91 Motor freight transportation	4,981	1,699	4,025	62	27	1.24	27.40	43.5
	92 Packaging, materials handling	5,995	2,018	6,085	65	33	0.99	31.05	50.8
	93-97 Other [5]	432	153	397	31	24	1.09	4.94	77.4

[1] Source of data: ESARS (Employment Security Automated Reporting System).

[2] Period covered: 10-1-79 through 6-30-80. FY 1980 defined as 10-1-79 through 9-30-80.

[3] Total includes occupational codes not assigned.

[4] Applicants for whom a complete occupational code cannot be assigned because of lack of training/experience.

[5] Includes mining, logging, utilities, miscellaneous amusement and recreation, graphic art work.

JOB OPENINGS IN NEBRASKA JOB SERVICE OFFICES [1/]

By Occupation

June 1980

Occupational Category	OPENINGS AVAILABLE				OPENINGS UNFILLED AT MONTH END			
	Number		Average Pay		Total		Unfilled 30 Days or more	
	Current	Last Month	Current	Last Month	Current	Last Month	Current	Last Month
TOTAL, ALL OCCUPATIONS	3,791	4,403	$9,156/yr	$9,067/yr	1,511	1,826	669	1,050
Professional, technical, and managerial	771	769	12,136/yr	11,746/yr	546	588	345	407
Clerical and sales	1,024	1,156	7,758/yr	7,866/yr	382	510	144	246
Service	686	803	3.46/hr	3.43/hr	225	288	79	149
Farming fishery, forestry, and related	96	149	3.82/hr	3.74/hr	27	35	8	14
Processing	209	217	4.92/hr	4/75/hr	16	38	5	29
Machine trades	151	234	4.81/hr	5.29/hr	48	79	21	45
Bench work	124	149	3.66/hr	3.67/hr	46	63	23	30
Structural work	461	576	4.69/hr	4.67/hr	157	152	36	91
Miscellaneous	269	350	4.60/hr	4.64/hr	64	73	8	39

1/ Source of data: Job Bank data from Nebraska Job Service offices.

ESTIMATES OF HOURS AND EARNINGS IN NEBRASKA MANUFACTURING [1]

June 1980

	AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS			AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS			AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS		
	June 1980[2]	May 1980[3]	June 1979[3]	June 1980[2]	May 1980[3]	June 1979[3]	June 1980[2]	May 1980[3]	June 1979[3]
MANUFACTURING - TOTAL	$297.60	$289.48	$266.85	40.6	39.6	41.5	$7.33	$7.31	$6.43
Durable goods	286.74	281.16	266.28	40.5	39.6	42.0	7.08	7.10	6.34
Lumber, stone, clay, glass products	265.02	256.96	242.25	42.0	39.9	42.5	6.31	6.44	5.70
Primary and fabricated metals	271.70	279.97	271.47	38.0	38.3	41.7	7.15	7.31	6.51
Machinery and transportation equipment	313.88	304.72	284.93	41.3	40.2	42.4	7.60	7.58	6.72
Nondurable goods	309.32	298.58	267.90	40.7	39.6	40.9	7.60	7.54	6.55
Food and kindred products	346.30	330.89	293.58	42.7	40.8	42.0	8.11	8.11	6.99
Meat products	366.30	359.26	314.64	42.2	41.2	41.4	8.68	8.72	7.60
Dairy products	217.53	210.82	208.38	38.5	36.6	41.1	5.65	5.76	5.07
Grain mill products	453.35	402.28	335.34	51.4	45.2	48.6	8.82	8.90	6.90
Bakery products	233.22	236.95	236.99	33.8	35.0	34.8	6.90	6.77	6.81
Other food and kindred products	226.70	219.38	219.61	38.1	37.5	38.8	5.95	5.85	5.66
Printing and publishing	248.12	246.19	247.38	35.7	36.8	39.9	6.95	6.69	6.20
Chemicals and allied products	286.96	294.69	263.53	42.2	43.4	41.5	6.80	6.79	6.35

1/ Source of data: Current Employment Statistics Program.
2/ Preliminary.
3/ Revised.

Average weekly earnings in Nebraska manufacturing increased by $8.12 from May 1980 to June 1980. This included a gain of $5.58 in durable goods and a rise of $10.74 in nondurable goods. Year-to-year, average weekly earnings increased by $30.75, including gains of $20.46 in durable goods and of $41.42 in nondurable goods.

Average weekly hours increased by 1.0 hour month-to-month, but dropped by 0.9 hour year-to-year.

Average hourly earnings had a very slight month-to-month gain of $.02, and increased $.90 year-to-year.

ESTIMATES OF ACCESSION AND SEPARATION RATES IN NEBRASKA MANUFACTURING[1]

(per 1,000 workers)

May 1980

INDUSTRY	ACCESSION RATES						SEPARATION RATES								
	Total			New Hires			Total			Quits			Layoffs		
	May 1980[2]	Apr 1980[3]	May 1979[3]	May 1980[2]	Apr 1980[3]	May 1979[3]	May 1980[2]	Apr 1980[3]	May 1979[3]	May 1980[2]	Apr 1980[3]	May 1979[3]	May 1980[2]	Apr 1980[3]	May 1979[3]
MANUFACTURING - TOTAL	35	26	56	24	22	48	44	44	42	17	20	30	20	16	4
Durable goods	26	23	57	18	18	52	48	44	41	15	20	30	26	16	1
Lumber, stone, clay, glass products	77	53	85	45	38	79	78	57	45	23	30	34	43	16	1
Furniture and fixtures	16	10	49	16	10	49	28	37	47	20	22	37	1	2	1
Primary and fabricated metals	25	25	69	17	15	56	42	36	41	10	16	30	25	14	4/
Machinery and transportation equipment	18	16	48	13	14	45	48	45	37	13	18	28	28	19	4/
Other durable goods	29	37	63	26	30	60	43	47	59	28	26	40	6	8	10
Nondurable goods	45	30	55	31	26	44	41	43	44	19	21	29	14	16	7
Food and kindred products	56	31	59	35	26	44	29	41	50	19	21	30	3	13	11
Meat products	49	30	44	31	27	36	30	47	67	19	24	35	4	15	20
Dairy products	44	22	43	34	22	41	24	14	27	16	5	17	8	5	4
Grain mill products	86	21	92	43	14	51	17	23	22	12	17	18	2	2	4/
Bakery products	81	35	71	51	31	44	44	31	35	26	21	31	4/	2	1
Other food and kindred products	45	46	70	35	36	62	37	58	56	23	26	38	1	27	9
Textiles and apparel	41	54	73	40	51	70	59	49	60	26	33	46	27	12	5
Paper and allied products	17	14	46	15	13	35	33	24	33	10	15	26	17	4	5
Printing and publishing	36	31	51	35	30	46	42	40	39	29	26	34	4	8	4/
Chemicals and allied products	22	24	28	18	24	26	14	16	15	7	7	9	3	5	1
Petroleum, rubber, plastic products and leather	17	22	46	11	13	39	112	77	30	9	11	24	92	57	4/

1/ Source of data: Labor Turnover Program.

NOTE: Accessions other than new hires, and separations other than quits and layoffs are not shown separately, but are included in the appropriate totals.

2/ Preliminary.
3/ Revised.
4/ Less than one-half.

Accessions in Nebraska manufacturing increased from 26 per 1,000 workers in April 1980 to 35 per 1,000 workers in May 1980. During that period durable goods increased from 23 per 1,000 to 26 per 1,000, while nondurable goods increased from 30 per 1,000 to 45 per 1,000. Year-to-year, accessions dropped from 56 per 1,000 to 35 per 1,000. This included a crop in durable goods from 57 per 1,000 to 26 per 1,000, and a decline in nondurable goods from 55 per 1,000 to 45 per 1,000. Separations remained the same in May 1980 that they had been in April 1980: 44 per 1,000, compared to 42 per 1,000 in May 1979. Layoffs increased from 16 per 1,000 in April 1980 to 20 per 1,000 in May 1980, and compared to 4 per 1,000 in May 1979.

SELECTED UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE ACTIVITIES

June 1980

	June 1980	May 1980	June 1979
UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE (STATE UI)			
CLAIMS RECEIVED - AREA CLAIMS CENTERS			
Initial claims	7,591	7,839	4,389
Weeks claimed	48,265	39,600	20,705
BENEFIT ACTIVITIES			
Payments from UI funds	$3,731,340	$3,047,219	$1,194,071
Calendar year to date	$24,820,860	$21,089,520	$15,578,469
Average size of weekly payments	$90.29	$93.27	$76.36
First payments	4,347	3,370	1,553
Exhaustions	1,065	1,038	442
Individuals who drew benefits	14,460	12,637	5,775
Rate of insured unemployment	2.0	1.6	0.9
UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION FOR FEDERAL EMPLOYEES (UCFE)			
Payments from UCFE funds	$66,460	$51,555	$31,109
Average size of weekly payments	$76.04	$73.13	$60.17
First payments	60	49	21
Exhaustions	15	26	14
UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION FOR EX-SERVICEMEN (UCX)			
Payments from UCX funds	$39,128	$31,429	$12,479
Average size of weekly payments	$86.00	$90.31	$79.99
First payments	29	31	12
Exhaustions	3	2	1
COVERAGE AND CONTRIBUTIONS			
Subject employers - end of month	38,449	38,534	36,329
Contributions received	$103,284	$9,687,618	$218,664
FINANCIAL DATA			
End of month fund balance	$80,585,303	$84,241,478	$71,378,043

UI initial claims in area claims centers decreased from 7,839 in May 1980 to 7,591 in June 1980. Weeks claimed increased from 39,600 to 48,265 in the same period.

UI benefit payments increased from 3.0 million in May to 3.7 million in June 1980.

The number of insured unemployed increased from 9,513 in May to 11,440 in June 1980. The rate of insured unemployment increased from 1.6 percent in May 1980 to 2.0 percent in June 1980.

The year-to-date contributions stood at 21.5 million compared to 18.1 million one year ago.

The fund balance stood at 80.6 million compared to 71.4 million one year ago.

NEBRASKA

CHARACTERISTICS OF THE INSURED UNEMPLOYED [1/]

June 1980

	Amount	Percent of total
SEX:		
Male	6,715	60.1
Female	4,460	39.9
RACE/ETHNIC:		
White	10,070	90.1
All other races	1,105	9.9
AGE:		
Under 22	1,773	15.9
22 - 44	6,978	62.4
45 and over	2,424	21.7
WEEKS UNEMPLOYED:		
4 or less	5,515	49.4
5 - 14	4,419	39.5
15 and over	1,241	11.1

	Amount	Percent of total
OCCUPATION:		
Professional, technical and managerial	1,677	15.0
Clerical and sales	1,811	16.2
Service	928	8.3
Farm and related	98	0.9
Processing	506	4.5
Machine trades	811	7.3
Bench work	1,023	9.2
Structural work	2,667	23.8
Miscellaneous	1,654	14.8
INDUSTRY:		
Construction and mining	1,901	17.0
Manufacturing	3,807	34.1
Durable goods	2,360	21.1
Nondurable goods	1,447	13.0
Transportation, communication and utilities	500	4.4
Trade (wholesale & retail)	2,149	19.2
Finance, insurance, and real estate	271	2.4
Services	1,525	13.7
Government	265	2.4
Other	757	6.8

1/ Source of data: Percentages computed from a count of all insured unemployed claimants filing at the Nebraska UI Area Claims Centers for a one-week period including the 19th of the month. The insured claimant count for June was 11,175.

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THE CONSUMER PRICE INDEX

Facts About the Consumer Price Index

The Consumer Price Index (CPI) is a statistical measure of change over time, in the prices of goods and services in major expenditure groups - such as food and beverages, housing, apparel, transportation, medical care, and entertainment - typically purchased by urban consumers. It measures the change in prices by comparing what a sample "market basket" of goods and services cost today with what the same sample market basket cost at an earlier date.

The CPI for All Urban Consumers covers about 80 percent of the total noninstitutional population. It includes, in addition to wage earners and clerical workers, groups which historically have been excluded from CPI coverage - salaried workers, the self-employed, retirees, and the unemployed.

The CPI for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers covers about 40 percent of the total noninstitutional population.

U. S. CITY AVERAGE

CONSUMER PRICE INDEX, JUNE 1980

	ALL URBAN CONSUMERS (CPI-U)			WAGE EARNERS AND CLERICAL WORKERS (CPI-W)		
		Percent Change From			Percent Change From	
	INDEX 1967=100	1 Month Ago	1 Year Ago	INDEX 1967=100	1 Month Ago	1 Year Ago
ALL ITEMS	247.6	1.1	14.3	247.8	1.1	14.2
FOOD AND BEVERAGES	245.7	0.7	7.2	246.4	0.7	7.5
Food	252.0	0.6	7.1	252.7	0.7	7.3
Food at home	248.0	0.6	5.9	247.7	0.7	6.0
Cereals & bakery products	245.9	0.6	12.9	245.7	0.5	12.6
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	231.2	-0.1	-3.6	230.4	-0.1	-3.6
Dairy products	227.2	0.4	10.6	227.8	0.4	10.6
Fruits and vegetables	250.1	1.4	7.0	250.2	1.9	8.1
Other foods at home	301.8	1.2	13.0	301.4	1.1	13.2
Food away from home	266.6	0.8	9.8	269.9	0.9	10.4
Alcoholic beverages	186.4	0.5	8.3	188.0	0.6	9.0
HOUSING	266.7	1.9	18.3	266.9	2.0	18.4
Shelter	286.3	2.2	21.0	288.0	2.3	21.4
Rent (residential)	191.1	1.2	9.4	190.8	1.1	9.2
Other rental costs	264.2	0.9	13.7	263.9	0.8	13.8
Homeownership	320.4	2.4	23.8	323.4	2.5	24.4
Fuel and other utilities	282.2	2.3	18.1	283.0	2.4	18.2
Fuels	355.8	2.7	24.3	355.8	2.8	24.4
Fuel oil, coal, & bottled gas	558.7	0.5	42.8	559.8	0.5	43.0
Gas (piped) & electricity	308.8	3.6	18.8	308.5	3.7	18.7
Household furnishings & operation	205.5	0.6	8.1	202.9	0.5	7.5
APPAREL AND UPKEEP	177.2	-0.2	6.9	176.0	-0.5	6.5
Men's & boys' apparel	166.8	-0.7	4.0	168.1	-0.5	4.5
Women's & girls' apparel	153.0	-0.7	1.5	151.2	-1.9	0.9
Footwear	189.0	-0.2	7.0	188.9	-0.2	7.3
TRANSPORTATION	249.7	0.3	17.5	250.6	0.3	17.3
Private transportation	249.7	0.2	17.1	250.8	0.3	17.1
Public transportation	242.2	1.1	24.8	234.9	0.9	20.6
MEDICAL CARE	264.7	0.5	11.4	265.9	0.4	11.6
Medical care services	285.9	0.4	11.7	287.3	0.3	12.2
ENTERTAINMENT	205.3	0.6	9.1	204.0	0.8	8.8
OTHER GOODS AND SERVICES	212.5	0.6	9.3	212.1	0.7	9.2
ALL ITEMS (1957-59=100)	288.0			288.2		

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July 1980

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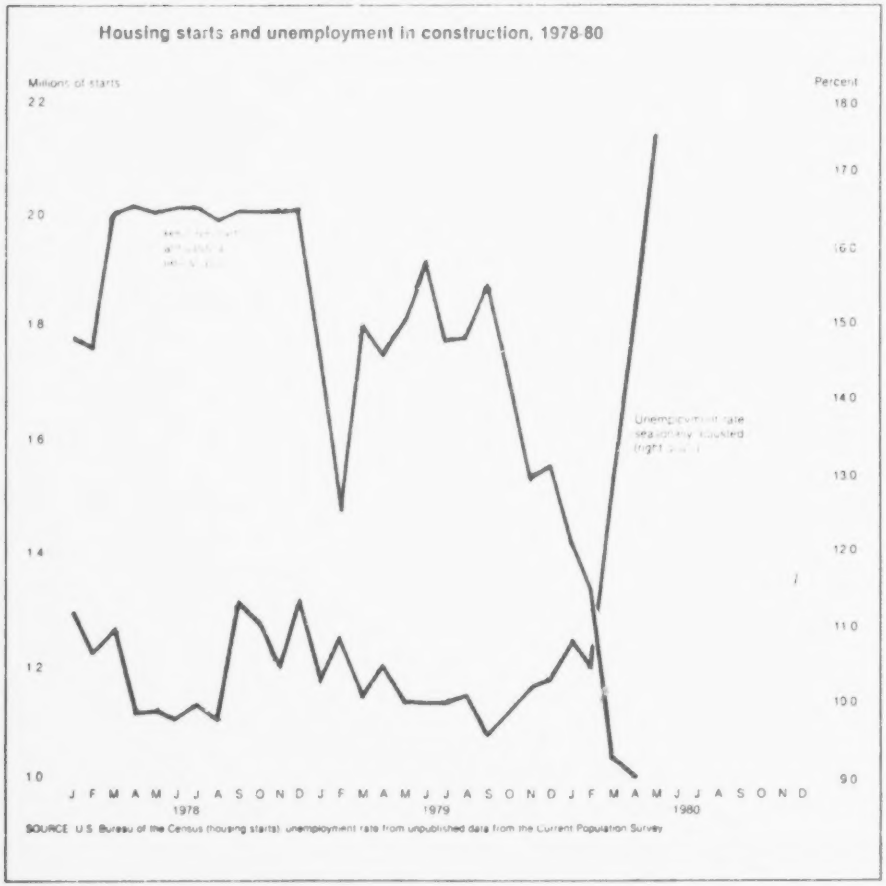

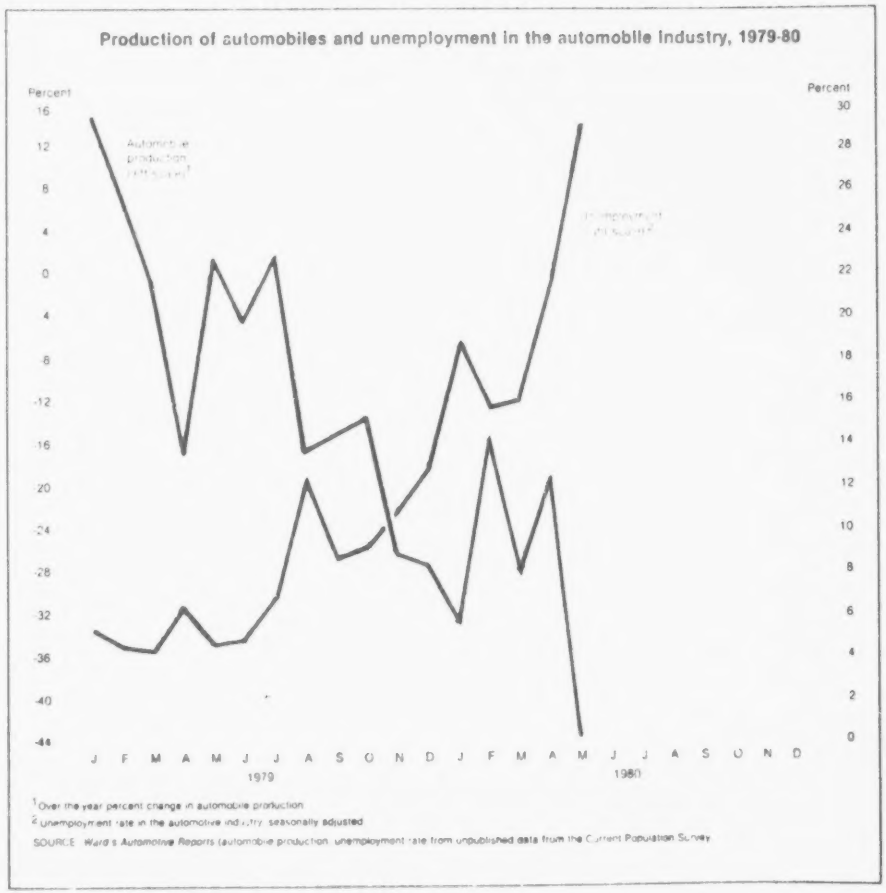

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ESTIMATES OF LABOR FORCE DATA 1/

(Job Seekers and Job Holders - By Residence)

July 1980

	Preliminary	Revised		Change From:	
	July 1980	June 1980	July 1979	June 1980	July 1979
NEBRASKA					
Civilian labor force	797,800	809,100	799,300	- 11,300	- 1,500
Employment	766,200	775,200	776,800	- 9,000	-10,600
Unemployment	31,600	33,900	22,500	- 2,300	9,100
Unemployment rate 2/	4.0	4.2	2.8	xxx	xxx
OMAHA SMSA 3/					
Civilian labor force	282,800	287,700	283,600	- 4,900	- 800
Employment	268,400	271,950	272,650	- 3,550	- 4,250
Unemployment	14,400	15,750	10,950	- 1,350	3,450
Unemployment rate 2/	5.1	5.5	3.9	xxx	xxx
LINCOLN SMSA 4/					
Civilian labor force	110,750	115,200	109,350	- 4,450	1,400
Employment	106,950	111,150	106,400	- 4,200	550
Unemployment	3,800	4,050	2,950	- 250	850
Unemployment rate 2/	3.4	3.5	2.7	xxx	xxx

1/ Totals are rounded to the nearest 50, and subtotals may not add to totals due to rounding.

2/ Ratios of unemployment to civilian labor force, based upon unrounded data.

3/ Douglas and Sarpy Counties in Nebraska and Pottawattamie County in Iowa are considered a single unit of residence for the SMSA concept only. The Nebraska portion of the labor force, estimated at 241,950 is included in the Nebraska total, but the Iowa portion, estimated at 40,850 is excluded from the Nebraska total.

4/ Defined as Lancaster County.

NOTE: The above estimates are based on the March 1979 benchmark. All months are comparable.

UNEMPLOYMENT TRENDS

Nebraska's unemployment dropped by 2,300 from June 1980 to July 1980, reaching a new total of 31,600. The July 1980 total was 9,100 more than in July 1979. The unemployment rate moved downward, month-to-month, from 4.2 percent in June 1980 to 4.0 percent in July 1980, and compared to 2.8 percent in July 1979.

Unemployment totals for the Omaha SMSA decreased by 1,350 from June 1980 to July 1980, but increased by 3,450 from July 1979. The unemployment dropped from a 5.5 percent in June 1980 to 5.1 percent in July 1980, and compared to 3.9 percent in July 1979.

Unemployment in the Lincoln SMSA showed a small dip of 250 from June 1980 to July 1980, and had an increase of 850 from July 1979. The unemployment rate edged downward from 3.5 percent in June 1980 to 3.4 percent in July 1980, and compared to 2.7 percent in July 1979.

Nebraska's labor force is projected to decrease by 11,900 from July 1980 to August 1980, reaching a new total of 785,900. The unemployment segment is projected as 30,000, while the employment segment is projected as 755,900.

ESTIMATES OF NEBRASKA NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT DATA [1]

Job Count - Workers by Industry

INDUSTRY	July 1980 [3]	June 1980 [4]	July 1979 [4]	Change From June 1980	Change From July 1979	Percent Change From July 1979
NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE & SALARY	622,450	632,950	630,500	-10,500	-8,050	-1.3
MANUFACTURING	93,500	95,100	99,900	- 1,600	-6,400	-6.4
Durable goods	47,650	49,200	53,450	- 1,550	-5,800	-10.8
Construction material	4,900	4,800	5,750	100	- 850	-14.7
Lumber & wood products, except furniture	2,100	2,000	2,500	100	- 400	-16.0
Stone, clay, glass & concrete products	2,800	2,850	3,250	- 50	- 450	-13.7
Furniture & fixtures	1,650	1,650	1,800	0	- 150	- 9.9
Metals	8,950	9,300	9,700	- 350	- 750	- 7.9
Primary metal industries	1,800	1,950	1,850	- 150	- 50	- 1.3
Fabricated metal products, except machinery & transportation equipment	7,100	7,300	7,850	- 200	- 750	- 9.5
Machinery except electrical	12,550	12,950	13,950	- 400	-1,400	-10.0
Farm machinery & equipment	7,400	7,500	8,300	- 100	- 900	-10.8
Electrical & electronic machinery, equipment & supplies	9,600	9,850	10,900	- 250	-1,300	-11.8
Transportation equipment	4,600	5,250	6,050	- 650	-1,450	-23.9
Motor vehicles & motor vehicle equipment	2,050	2,600	3,300	- 350	-1,250	-37.2
Other durable goods (including instruments; toys & sporting goods; costume jewelry & notions; etc.)	5,400	5,400	5,250	0	150	3.0
Nondurable goods	45,850	45,900	46,500	- 50	- 650	- 1.4
Food & kindred products	27,700	27,550	27,250	150	450	1.7
Meat products	14,050	13,950	13,650	100	400	2.9
Dairy products	1,900	1,900	200	0	- 100	- 5.0
Grain mill	4,850	4,800	4,900	50	- 50	- 1.9
Other food products (including canned & preserved products; bakery products; sugar & confectionery products; beverages; etc.)	6,950	6,900	6,700	50	250	3.9
Textile products & apparel	2,200	2,250	2,300	- 50	- 100	- 4.2
Printing, publishing & allied industries	7,400	7,500	7,300	- 100	100	1.5
Chemicals & allied products	2,700	2,700	2,500	0	200	6.9
Other nondurable goods (including rubber & miscellaneous plastics; paper & allied products; etc.)	5,800	5,900	7,100	- 100	-1,300	-18.3
NONMANUFACTURING	528,950	537,850	530,550	- 8,900	-1,600	- 0.3
MINING	1,600	1,600	1,800	0	- 200	-12.4
CONSTRUCTION	35,400	33,800	38,400	1,600	-3,000	- 7.8
Building construction - general contractors & operative builders	10,100	9,400	11,100	700	-1,000	- 8.9
Construction other than building construction - general contractors	9,550	9,300	10,150	250	- 600	- 5.7
Construction - special trade contractors	15,750	15,050	17,150	700	-1,400	- 8.3
TRANSPORTATION, COMMUNICATIONS, ELECTRIC, GAS, & SANITARY SERVICES	46,400	46,200	47,450	200	-1,050	- 2.1
Railroad transportation	14,850	14,800	15,700	50	- 850	- 5.5
Other transportation (including buses & taxicabs; motor freight transportation & warehousing; etc.)	14,850	14,800	15,200	50	- 350	- 2.5
Communication & electric, gas, & sanitary services	16,750	16,650	16,500	100	250	1.5

TRADE	164,750	165,100	165,450	- 350	- 700	- 0.4
Wholesale	48,200	48,100	48,000	100	200	0.4
Durable	24,600	24,600	25,200	0	- 600	- 2.4
Nondurable	23,600	23,500	22,800	100	800	3.6
Retail	116,550	117,000	117,450	- 450	- 900	- 0.8
Building materials, hardware, garden supply, & mobile home dealers	6,250	6,300	6,150	- 50	100	1.3
General merchandise stores	15,400	15,650	15,900	- 250	- 500	- 3.4
Food stores	15,550	15,450	15,500	100	50	0.4
Automotive dealers & gasoline service stations	16,450	16,450	17,100	0	- 650	- 3.8
Apparel & accessory stores	5,850	5,850	6,250	0	- 400	- 6.8
Furniture, home furnishings, & equipment stores	4,100	4,150	4,150	- 50	- 50	- 0.1
Eating & drinking places	41,550	41,750	40,600	- 200	950	2.3
Miscellaneous retail	11,350	11,450	11,750	- 100	- 400	- 3.5
Drug stores & proprietary stores	3,350	3,400	3,450	- 50	- 100	- 3.0
Other miscellaneous retail (including liquor stores; sporting goods stores; jewelry; florists; etc.)	8,000	8,050	8,300	- 50	- 300	- 3.7
FINANCE, INSURANCE, & REAL ESTATE	43,050	42,800	41,350	250	1,700	4.1
Banking	10,750	10,650	10,500	100	250	2.4
Insurance	20,650	20,600	19,950	50	700	3.5
Real Estate	5,150	5,150	4,700	0	450	9.3
Other finance, insurance, & real estate (including credit agencies other than banks; security & commodity exchange & services; etc.)	6,450	6,450	6,200	0	250	4.6
SERVICES EXCEPT DOMESTIC	119,350	119,900	114,750	- 550	4,600	4.0
Hotels, rooming houses, camps, & other lodging places	7,450	7,300	7,500	150	- 50	- 1.2
Personal services	6,200	6,300	6,000	- 100	200	3.2
Business services	17,650	17,500	17,150	150	500	2.8
Automotive repair, services, & garages	4,100	4,100	4,050	0	50	0.6
Amusement & recreation (including motion pictures)	7,900	8,050	7,100	- 150	800	11.0
Health services	41,850	41,800	39,250	50	2,600	6.6
Educational services	6,550	6,900	6,600	- 350	- 50	- 0.7
Social services	5,800	5,850	5,800	- 50	0	0.3
Membership organizations	9,300	9,400	9,700	- 100	- 400	- 3.8
Other services (including legal & other professional services; miscellaneous repair services; agricultural services; etc.)	12,600	12,650	11,550	- 50	-1,050	8.9
GOVERNMENT	118,400	128,450	121,350	-10,050	-2,950	- 2.4
Federal	17,000	17,000	16,400	0	600	3.6
State	30,100	35,200	29,650	-5,100	450	1.7
Local	71,300	76,300	75,350	-5,000	-4,050	- 5.4

1/ Rounded to nearest 50, and subtotals may not add to totals due to rounding. Percent change based on unrounded data.
2/ Source of data: Current Employment Statistics Program.
3/ Preliminary estimate. 4/ Revised.

NOTE: These estimates are based on March 1979 benchmark. All months are comparable.

JULY 1980 IN REVIEW . . . . . .

Employment in Nebraska's nonagricultural industries decreased by 10,500 from June 1980 to July 1980. This included a drop of 1,600 in manufacturing and a decline of 8,900 in nonmanufacturing.

The decrease of 1,600 in manufacturing occurred almost entirely in durable goods (-1,500), with approximately two-thirds of that reported in transportation equipment (-650), and machinery except electrical (-400). Nondurable goods showed a very slight dip of 50.

Month-to-month increases occurred in construction/mining (1,600), finance-insurance-real estate (250), and transportation-communication-utilities (200).

Month-to-month decreases occurred in government (-10,050), services (-550), and trade (-350). The major employment reduction in government reflected customary seasonal trends in educational services in state and local government. The largest factor in the service employment drop was a seasonal reduction in educational services. The chief decline in trade was in general merchandise stores (-250).

ANNUAL CHANGES . . . . . .

Employment in Nebraska's nonagricultural industries decreased by 8,050 from July 1979 to July 1980. This included a drop of 6,400 in manufacturing, and a decline of 1,600 in nonmanufacturing.

The employment reduction in manufacturing of 6,400 was primarily in durable goods (-5,800), with the largest losses occurring in machinery except electrical (-1,400), electrical and electronic machinery, equipment and supplies (-1,300), and transportation equipment (-1,450). Nondurable goods dropped by 650.

Year-to-year increases occurred in finance-insurance-real estate (1,700), and in services (4,600). The major gainers in services were health services (2,600), and amusement and recreation (800).

Year-to-year decreases were registered by construction/mining (-3,200), transportation-communication-utilities (-1,050), trade (-700), and government (-2,950). The largest loss in transportation-communication-utilities was in railroad employment (-850). The decrease in trade occurred in retail trade, primarily in two areas: general merchandise stores (-500) and automotive dealers-gasoline service stations (-650). The major decrease in government was in local government (-4,050).

OUTLOOK . . . . . .

Employment activity in September 1980 is projected to show a moderate increase in trade, reflecting customary seasonal trends, primarily related to "back-to-school" activities. A moderate gain is also anticipated in service and government, mainly resulting from a customary seasonal upswing in educational services. By the same token, normal seasonal trends are expected to produce substantial employment reductions in construction/mining and agriculture. Employment levels are expected to experience relatively no change in transportation-communication-utilities and in finance-insurance-real estate.

WORKER SUPPLY AND EMPLOYER DEMAND

APPLICANTS AND NONAGRICULTURAL OPENINGS IN NEBRASKA JOB SERVICE OFFICES 1/

July 1980

	Applicants Available FY to date 2/	Active File	Nonag Job Openings Received FY to date 2/	Unfilled Total	Unfilled 30 days or more	Applicants/ Openings FY to date	Active File/ Unfill.Open End-of-month	Unfilled Openings 30 days + % of total
TOTAL 3/	111,276	32,579	53,319	4,436	2,951	2.09	7.34	66.5%
0 - 1 Professional, technical and managerial	12,038	3,778	4,361	1,474	1,246	2.76	2.56	84.5
2 Clerical and sales	28,816	7,714	12,771	1,434	1,002	2.26	5.38	69.9
Entry codes 4/	6,366	1,436	---	---	---	---	---	---
20 - 24 Clerical	17,213	4,800	10,227	1,195	874	1.68	4.02	73.1
25 - 29 Sales	5,237	1,478	2,544	239	128	2.06	6.18	53.6
3 Service	17,433	5,382	10,326	552	201	1.69	9.75	36.4
Entry codes 4/	3,025	818	---	---	---	---	---	---
30 Domestic	1,151	365	1,943	52	17	.59	7.02	32.7
31 - 39 Other	13,257	4,199	8,383	500	184	1.58	8.40	36.8
4 Farm, forestry, fisheries	4,297	866	1,818	48	9	2.36	18.04	18.8
5 Processing	2,716	731	2,700	29	6	1.01	25.21	20.7
6 Machine trades	5,082	1,750	1,757	109	37	2.89	16.06	33.9
7 Bench work	5,101	1,619	1,537	93	32	3.32	17.41	34.4
8 Structural work	13,731	4,097	6,292	273	104	2.18	15.01	38.1
9 Miscellaneous	15,321	4,624	11,684	190	81	1.31	24.34	42.6
Entry codes 4/	3,205	894	---	---	---	---	---	---
90 - 91 Motor freight, transp.	5,326	1,686	4,505	81	25	1.18	20.81	30.9
92 Packaging, materials handling	6,322	1,887	6,743	79	30	.94	23.89	38.0
93 - 97 Other 5/	468	157	436	30	26	1.07	5.23	86.7

1/ Source of data: ESARS (Employment Security Automated Reporting System).

2/ Period covered: 10-1-79 through 7-31-80. FY 1980 defined as 10-1-79 through 9-30-80.

3/ Total includes occupational codes not assigned.

4/ Applicants for whom a complete occupational code cannot be assigned because of lack of training/experience.

5/ Includes mining, logging, utilities, miscellaneous amusement and recreation, graphic art work.

JOB OPENINGS IN NEBRASKA JOB SERVICE OFFICES [1]

BY OCCUPATION

July 1980

OCCUPATIONAL CATEGORY	OPENINGS AVAILABLE				OPENINGS UNFILLED AT MONTH END			
	NUMBER		AVERAGE PAY		TOTAL		UNFILLED 30 DAYS OR MORE	
	Current	Last Month	Current	Last Month	Current	Last Month	Current	Last Month
TOTAL, ALL OCCUPATIONS	4,076	3,791	$ 8,946/yr	$ 9,156/yr	1,722	1,511	691	669
Professional, Technical, and Managerial	691	771	11,780/yr	12,136/yr	478	546	290	345
Clerical and Sales	1,059	1,024	7,874/yr	7,758/yr	469	382	184	144
Service	660	686	3.45/hr	3.46/hr	266	225	94	79
Farming, Fishery, Forestry & related	86	96	3.84/hr	3.82/hr	28	27	8	8
Processing	210	209	4.71/hr	4.92/hr	20	16	1	5
Machine Trades	214	151	5.12/hr	4.81/hr	90	48	23	21
Bench Work	138	124	3.78/hr	3.66/hr	77	46	19	23
Structural Work	668	461	4.45/hr	4.69/hr	204	157	62	36
Miscellaneous	350	269	4.18/hr	4.60/hr	90	64	10	8

1/ Source of data: Job Bank data from Nebraska Job Service offices.

ESTIMATES OF HOURS AND EARNINGS IN NEBRASKA MANUFACTURING 1/

JULY 1980

	AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS			AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS			AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS		
	July 1980 2/	June 1980 3/	July 1979 3/	July 1980 2/	June 1980 3/	July 1979 3/	July 1980 2/	June 1980 3/	July 1979 3/
MANUFACTURING - TOTAL	$295.81	$298.49	$268.04	39.6	40.5	41.3	$7.47	$7.37	$6.49
Durable goods	280.62	288.72	260.38	38.6	40.1	41.2	7.27	7.20	6.32
Lumber, stone, clay, glass products	243.20	262.71	237.72	40.0	41.7	42.0	6.08	6.30	5.66
Primary and fabricated metals	304.34	294.14	271.74	37.9	38.2	42.0	8.03	7.70	6.47
Machinery and transportation equipment	297.97	309.83	277.54	38.3	40.5	41.3	7.78	7.65	6.72
Nondurable goods	312.17	308.45	278.05	40.7	40.8	41.5	7.67	7.56	6.70
Food and kindred products	349.01	346.09	306.55	42.1	43.1	42.4	8.29	8.03	7.23
Meat products	370.06	368.51	325.48	40.8	43.0	41.2	9.07	8.57	7.90
Dairy products	212.78	214.89	204.00	37.2	37.7	40.0	5.72	5.70	5.10
Grain mill products	444.72	444.57	356.21	51.0	51.1	50.1	8.72	8.70	7.11
Bakery products	251.37	243.55	237.65	34.2	34.4	35.0	7.35	7.08	6.79
Other food and kindred products	243.01	236.34	237.69	40.3	39.0	40.7	6.03	6.06	5.84
Printing and publishing	253.08	251.92	256.68	37.0	36.3	41.2	6.84	6.94	6.23
Chemicals and allied products	300.80	301.89	269.02	44.3	44.2	42.1	6.79	6.83	6.39

1/ Source of data: Current Employment Statistics Program.
2/ Preliminary.
3/ Revised.

Average weekly earnings in Nebraska manufacturing decreased by $2.68 from June 1980 to July 1980. This included a drop of $8.10, and an increase of $3.72 in nondurable goods. Year-to-year, average weekly earnings increased by $27.77 including gains of $20.24 in durable goods and of $34.12 in nondurable goods.

Average weekly hours dipped by 0.9 hours month-to-month, and also dropped by 1.7 hours year-to-year.

Average hourly earnings increased by $.10 from June 1980 to July 1980 and also gained by $.98 from July 1979 to July 1980.

ESTIMATES OF ACCESSION AND SEPARATION RATES IN NEBRASKA MANUFACTURING 1/

(Per 1,000 Workers)

JUNE 1980

INDUSTRY	ACCESSION RATES						SEPARATION RATES								
	Total			New Hires			Total			Quits			Layoffs		
	Jun 2/ 1980	May 3/ 1980	Jun 3/ 1979	Jun 2/ 1980	May 3/ 1980	Jun 3/ 1979	Jun 2/ 1980	May 3/ 1980	Jun 3/ 1979	Jun 2/ 1980	May 3/ 1980	Jun 3/ 1979	Jun 2/ 1980	May 3/ 1980	Jun 3/ 1979
MANUFACTURING - TOTAL	32	35	46	22	24	42	37	45	42	14	17	31	14	20	3
Durable goods	26	26	47	17	18	44	42	48	42	12	15	31	18	26	2
Lumber, stone, clay, glass products	63	77	72	37	45	70	30	78	56	19	23	45	3	43	4/
Furniture and fixtures	23	16	60	23	16	59	16	28	52	9	20	30	4/	1	10
Primary and fabricated metals	21	25	43	12	17	40	52	42	50	12	10	32	35	25	5
Machinery and Trans. equipment	18	18	43	11	13	40	44	48	36	10	13	27	18	28	1
Other durable goods	49	29	49	36	26	47	34	43	51	19	27	41	10	6	2
Nondurable goods	38	45	45	28	31	40	33	41	40	17	19	30	10	14	3
Food and kindred products	46	56	42	35	35	38	30	30	40	17	19	30	7	4	3
Meat products	35	49	30	25	31	29	31	30	44	19	19	33	8	4	2
Dairy products	29	44	14	23	34	11	15	24	40	15	16	21	4/	8	15
Grain mill products	63	83	66	58	42	55	24	20	22	6	11	17	9	5	1
Bakery products	44	81	70	36	51	58	40	44	46	26	26	43	4/	4/	4/
Other food and kindred products	71	45	50	44	35	48	38	37	49	22	23	38	9	1	3
Textiles and apparel	25	41	41	25	40	37	37	59	72	25	26	41	6	27	22
Paper and allied products	35	17	60	17	15	42	18	33	48	15	10	34	4/	17	7
Printing and publishing	27	38	53	24	36	51	27	44	36	20	31	29	1	4	1
Chemicals and allied products	19	22	22	17	18	19	18	14	24	9	7	13	4	3	4
Petroleum, rubber, plastic products and leather	23	17	53	6	11	47	68	112	43	8	9	32	51	92	4/

1/ Source of data: Labor Turnover Program.

NOTE: Accessions other than new hires, and separations other than quits and layoffs are not shown separately, but are included in the appropriate totals.

2/ Preliminary. 3/ Revised 4/ Less than one-half.

Accessions in Nebraska manufacturing dropped from 35 per 1,000 workers in May 1980 to 32 per 1,000 workers in June 1980. Month-to-month accession rates remained the same in durable goods (26 per 1,000), but decreased in nondurable goods from 45 per 1,000 to 38 per 1,000. Year-to-year, accessions declined from 46 per 1,000 in June 1979 to 32 per 1,000 in June 1980. Durable goods dropped from 47 per 1,000 to 26 per 1,000, and nondurable goods dipped from 45 per 1,000 to 38 per 1,000. Separations in June 1980 were 37 per 1,000 compared to 45 per 1,000 in May 1980, and compared to 42 per 1,000 in June 1979. Layoffs decreased month-to-month from 20 per 1,000 to 14 per 1,000 but increased year-to-year from 3 per 1,000 to 14 per 1,000.

SELECTED UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE ACTIVITIES

JULY 1980

UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE (STATE UI)	July 1980	June 1980	July 1979
CLAIMS RECEIVED - AREA CLAIMS CENTERS			
Initial claims	$ 7,776	$ 7,591	$ 4,087
Weeks claimed	55,391	48,265	26,461
BENEFIT ACTIVITIES			
Payments from UI funds	$ 4,071,664	3,731,340	1,405,205
Calendar year to date	$28,892,524	$24,820,860	$16,983,674
Average size of weekly payments	$ 89.03	90.29	76.06
First payments	3,669	4,347	1,943
Exhaustions	1,164	1,065	501
Individuals who drew benefits	14,994	14,460	6,422
Rate of insured unemployment	2.1	2.0	1.0
UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION FOR FEDERAL EMPLOYEES (UCFE)			
Payments from UCFE funds	$ 77,823	$ 66,460	$ 40,787
Average size of weekly payments	$ 75.48	$ 76.04	$ 68.90
First payments	76	60	45
Exhaustions	20	15	11
UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION FOR EX-SERVICEMEN (UCX)			
Payments from UCX funds	$ 47,622	$ 39,128	$ 18,396
Average size of weekly payments	$ 83.40	$ 86.00	$ 81.76
First payments	50	29	29
Exhaustions	1	3	0
COVERAGE AND CONTRIBUTIONS			
Subject employers - end of month	36,043	36,669	36,488
Contributions received	$ 2,674,066	$ 103,284	$ 5,782,940
FINANCIAL DATA			
End of month fund balance	$79,220,510	$80,585,303	$75,783,294

UI initial claims received in area claims centers increased from 7,591 in June to 7,776 in July 1980. Weeks claimed increased from 48,265 to 55,391 over the same period.
UI benefit payments increased from 3.7 million in June to 4.1 million in July 1980.
The number of insured unemployed increased from 11,400 in June to 12,307 in July 1980. The rate of insured unemployment increased from 2.0% in June to 2.1% in July 1980.
The year-to-date contributions stood at 24.2 million compared to 23.8 million one year ago.
The fund balance stood at 79.2 million compared to 75.8 million one year ago.

NEBRASKA

CHARACTERISTICS OF THE INSURED UNEMPLOYED 1/

JULY 1980

SEX	Amount	Percent of Total
Male	6,459	56.7
Female	4,935	43.3
RACE/ETHNIC		
White	10,291	90.3
All Other Races	1,103	9.7
AGE		
Under 22	1,849	16.2
22 - 44	7,070	62.1
45 & over	2,475	21.7
WEEKS EMPLOYED		
4 or less	4,891	42.9
5 - 14	5,285	46.4
15 & over	1,218	10.7

OCCUPATION	Amount	Percent of Total
Professional, Technical and Managerial	1,995	17.5
Clerical and Sales	1,993	17.5
Service	1,032	9.1
Farm and Related	90	0.8
Processing	528	4.6
Machine Trades	874	7.6
Bench Work	1,051	9.2
Structural Work	2,253	19.8
Miscellaneous	1,578	13.9
INDUSTRY		
Construction and Mining	1,482	13.0
Manufacturing	4,182	36.7
Durable Goods	2,699	23.7
Nondurable Goods	1,483	13.0
Transportation, Communications and Utilities	520	4.6
Trade (Wholesale & Retail)	2,219	19.5
Finance, Insurance, and Real Estate	279	2.5
Services	1,667	14.6
Government	286	2.5
Other	759	6.6

1/ Source of Data: Percentages computed from a count of all insured unemployed claimants filing at the Nebraska UI AREA CLAIMS CENTERS for a one-week period including the 19th of the month.
The insured claimant count for July was 11,394.

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR
BUREAU OF LABOR STATISTICS

THE CONSUMER PRICE INDEX

Facts About the Consumer Price Index

The Consumer Price Index (CPI) is a statistical measure of change, over time, in the prices of goods and services in major expenditure groups - such as food and beverages, housing, apparel, transportation, medical care, and entertainment - typically purchased by urban consumers. It measures the change in prices by comparing what a sample "market basket" of goods and services cost today with what the same sample market basket cost at an earlier date.

The CPI for All Urban Consumers covers about 80 percent of the total noninstitutional population. It includes, in addition to wage earners and clerical workers, groups which historically have been excluded from CPI coverage - salaried workers, the self-employed, retirees, and the unemployed.

The CPI for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers covers about 40 percent of the total noninstitutional population.

U. S. CITY AVERAGE

CONSUMER PRICE INDEX, JULY 1980

	ALL URBAN CONSUMERS (CPI-U)			WAGE EARNERS AND CLERICAL WORKERS (CPI-W)		
	INDEX 1967=100	Percent Change From 1 Month Ago	Percent Change From 1 Year Ago	INDEX 1967=100	Percent Change From 1 Month Ago	Percent Change From 1 Year Ago
ALL ITEMS	247.8	0.1	13.2	248.0	0.1	13.0
FOOD AND BEVERAGES	248.3	1.1	7.6	249.1	1.1	7.9
Food	254.8	1.1	7.6	255.5	1.1	7.8
Food at home	251.5	1.4	6.8	251.1	1.4	6.9
Cereals & bakery products	247.8	0.8	12.6	248.0	0.9	12.2
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	236.7	2.4	-1.0	236.1	2.5	-0.9
Dairy products	228.6	0.6	10.8	229.2	0.6	10.9
Fruits and vegetables	253.9	1.5	6.6	253.0	1.1	6.9
Other foods at home	304.3	0.8	12.9	303.7	0.8	13.0
Food away from home	267.8	0.5	9.4	271.2	0.5	10.0
Alcoholic beverages	187.2	0.4	8.4	189.2	0.6	9.2
HOUSING	265.1	-0.6	16.1	265.1	-0.7	16.1
Shelter	282.9	-1.2	17.8	284.3	-1.3	18.1
Rent (residential)	192.1	0.5	9.2	191.8	0.5	9.1
Other rental costs	265.7	0.6	12.6	265.5	0.6	12.9
Homeownership	315.4	-1.6	19.9	317.9	-1.7	20.3
Fuel and other utilities	285.5	1.2	17.2	286.1	1.1	17.2
Fuels	360.8	1.4	22.8	360.3	1.3	22.6
Fuel oil, coal, & bottled gas	560.4	0.3	35.7	561.9	0.4	35.9
Gas (piped) & electricity	314.3	1.8	18.8	313.5	1.6	18.5
Household furnishings & operation	206.2	0.3	8.3	203.5	0.3	7.7
APPAREL AND UPKEEP	176.2	-0.6	7.2	175.4	-0.3	6.6
Men's & boys' apparel	165.9	-0.5	4.2	167.2	-0.5	4.1
Women's & girls' apparel	150.6	-1.6	1.9	149.9	-0.9	1.6
Footwear	189.5	0.3	7.3	189.3	0.2	7.2
TRANSPORTATION	251.0	0.5	15.9	251.9	0.5	15.7
Private transportation	250.5	0.3	15.2	251.5	0.3	15.2
Public transportation	250.5	3.4	27.1	245.8	4.6	24.4
MEDICAL CARE	266.6	0.7	11.1	267.8	0.7	11.4
Medical care services	288.0	0.7	11.4	289.3	0.7	11.8
ENTERTAINMENT	206.6	0.6	9.3	204.4	0.2	8.4
OTHER GOODS AND SERVICES	213.5	0.5	9.4	212.9	0.4	9.1
ALL ITEMS (1957-59=100)	288.2			288.4		

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NEBRASKA Work Trends

August 1980

Unemployment Rates by State, July 1980

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ESTIMATES OF LABOR FORCE DATA [1]

Job Seekers and Job Holders - by Residence

August 1980

	Preliminary Aug 1980	Revised Jul 1980	Revised Aug 1979	Change From: Jul 1980	Change From: Aug 1979
NEBRASKA					
Civilian labor force	779,800	799,900	779,750	-20,100	50
Employment	751,050	768,200	759,250	-17,150	-8,200
Unemployment	28,750	31,700	20,500	- 2,950	8,250
Unemployment rate [2]	3.7	4.0	2.6	xxx	xxx
OMAHA SMSA [3]					
Civilian labor force	278,300	283,400	278,050	- 5,100	250
Employment	264,900	268,950	267,650	- 4,050	-2,750
Unemployment	13,400	14,450	10,400	- 1,050	3,000
Unemployment rate [2]	4.8	5.1	3.7	xxx	xxx
LINCOLN SMSA [4]					
Civilian labor force	109,450	110,550	108,350	- 1,100	1,100
Employment	106,000	106,750	105,850	- 750	150
Unemployment	3,450	3,800	2,500	- 350	950
Unemployment rate [2]	3.2	3.4	2.3	xxx	xxx

1/ Totals are rounded to the nearest 50, and subtotals may not add to totals due to rounding.
2/ Ratios of unemployment to civilian labor force, based upon unrounded data.
3/ Douglas and Sarpy Counties in Nebraska and Pottawattamie County in Iowa are considered a single unit of residence for the SMSA concept only. The Nebraska portion of the labor force, estimated at 237,900, is included in the Nebraska total but the Iowa portion, estimated at 40,400 is excluded from the Nebraska total.
4/ Defined as Lancaster County.
NOTE: The above estimates are based on the March 1979 benchmark. All months are comparable.

UNEMPLOYMENT TRENDS

Nebraska's unemployment dropped by 2,950 from July 1980 to August 1980, reaching a new total of 28,750. The August 1980 total was 8,250 more than in August 1979. The unemployment decreased from 4.0 percent in July 1980 to 3.7 percent in August 1980, and compared with 2.6 percent in August 1979.

Unemployment totals for the Omaha SMSA decreased by 1,050 from July 1980 to August 1980, but increased by 3,000 from August 1979. The unemployment rate moved downward from 5.1 percent in July 1980 to 4.8 percent in August 1980, and compared to 3.7 percent in August 1979.

Unemployment in the Lincoln SMSA dipped 350 from July 1980 to August 1980, but increased by 950 from August 1979. The unemployment rate also decreased from 3.4 percent in July 1980 to 3.2 percent in August 1980, and compared to 2.3 percent in August 1979.

Nebraska's labor force is projected to decrease by 11,700 from August 1980 to September 1980, reaching a new total of 768,100. The unemployment segment is projected as 28,000, while the employment segment is projected as 740,100.

ESTIMATES OF NEBRASKA NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT DATA [1/] [2/]

Job Count - Workers by Industry

INDUSTRY	Aug 1980 [3/]	Jul 1980 [4/]	Aug 1979 [4/]	Change From Jul 1980	Change From Aug 1979	Percent Change From
NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE & SALARY	625,250	624,900	632,450	350	-7,200	- 1.1
MANUFACTURING	94,350	93,400	99,850	950	-5,500	- 5.5
Durable goods	48,000	47,650	53,250	350	-5,250	- 9.9
Construction material	4,900	4,900	5,650	0	- 750	-13.1
Lumber & wood products, except furniture	2,150	2,100	2,500	50	- 350	-13.8
Stone, clay, glass & concrete products	2,750	2,800	3,150	- 50	- 400	-12.6
Furniture & fixtures	1,600	1,650	1,750	- 50	- 150	- 8.3
Metals	8,800	8,700	9,800	100	-1,000	-10.3
Primary metal industries	1,850	1,550	1,850	300	0	- 1.1
Fabricated metal products, except machinery & transportation equipment	6,950	7,150	7,950	-200	-1,000	-12.4
Machinery except electrical	12,700	12,750	14,000	- 50	-1,300	- 9.0
Farm machinery & equipment	7,500	7,450	8,250	50	- 750	- 9.2
Electrical & electronic machinery, equipment & supplies	9,500	9,650	10,950	-150	-1,450	-13.4
Transportation equipment	5,100	4,600	5,800	500	- 700	-12.5
Motor vehicles & motor vehicle equipment	2,400	2,050	3,150	350	- 750	-22.8
Other durable goods (including instruments; toys & sporting goods; costume jewelry & notions; etc.)	5,400	5,450	5,300	- 50	100	1.5
Nondurable goods	46,350	45,700	46,500	650	- 200	- 0.4
Food & kindred products	28,000	27,550	27,300	450	700	2.5
Meat products	14,250	13,950	13,600	300	650	4.6
Dairy products	1,900	1,900	1,950	0	- 50	- 3.5
Grain mill	4,800	4,800	4,950	0	- 150	- 3.2
Other food products (including canned & preserved products; bakery products; sugar & confectionery products; beverages; etc.)	7,050	6,950	6,750	100	300	4.1
Textile products & apparel	2,150	2,200	2,300	- 50	- 150	- 6.5
Printing, publishing & allied industreis	7,500	7,500	7,450	0	50	1.2
Chemicals & allied products	2,650	2,700	2,500	- 50	150	6.9
Other nondurable goods (including rubber & miscellaneous plastics; paper & allied products; etc.)	6,050	5,750	7,050	300	-1,000	-14.2
NONMANUFACTURING	530,900	531,500	532,650	-600	-1,750	- 0.3
MINING	1,550	1,600	1,800	- 50	- 250	-13.0
CONSTRUCTION	34,950	35,150	38,600	-200	-3,650	- 9.4
Building construction - general contractors & operative builders	9,850	9,850	11,100	0	-1,250	-11.5
Construction other than building construction - general contractors	9,200	9,500	10,300	-200	-1,100	-10.7
Construction - special trade contractors	15,900	15,800	17,150	100	-1,250	- 7.3
TRANSPORTATION, COMMUNICATIONS, ELECTRIC, GAS, & SANITARY SERVICES	46,850	46,850	47,700	0	- 850	- 1.7
Railroad transportation	15,150	15,150	16,000	0	- 850	- 5.3
Other transportation (including buses & taxicabs; motor freight transportation & warehousing; etc.)	14,950	14,950	15,200	0	- 250	- 1.6
Communication & electric, gas, & sanitary services	16,750	16,700	16,500	50	250	1.6

TRADE	164,550	164,700	165,200	-150	- 650	- 0.4
Wholesale	48,000	48,300	47,600	-300	400	0.9
Durable	24,550	24,600	24,950	- 50	- 400	- 1.5
Nondurable	23,450	23,700	22,650	-250	800	3.6
Retail	116,550	116,400	117,600	150	-1,050	- 0.9
Building materials, hardware, garden supply, & mobile home dealers	6,050	6,200	6,050	-150	0	0.6
General merchandise stores	15,100	15,350	15,750	-250	- 650	- 4.3
Food stores	15,700	15,550	15,400	150	300	2.0
Automotive dealers & gasoline service stations	16,550	16,550	17,250	0	- 700	- 3.9
Apparel & accessory stores	5,900	5,850	6,200	50	- 300	- 4.7
Furniture, home furnishings, & equipment stores	4,150	4,150	4,150	0	0	- 0.7
Eating & drinking places	41,750	41,400	41,050	350	700	1.8
Miscellaneous retail	11,350	11,350	11,800	0	- 450	- 3.8
Drug stores & proprietary stores	3,350	3,350	3,500	0	- 150	- 3.5
Other miscellaneous retail (including liquor stores; sporting goods stores; jewelry; florists; etc.)	8,000	8,000	8,350	0	- 350	- 3.9
FINANCE, INSURANCE, & REAL ESTATE	42,900	43,050	41,100	-150	1,800	4.4
Banking	10,700	10,700	10,350	0	350	3.6
Insurance	20,500	20,650	19,850	-150	650	3.3
Real estate	5,150	5,150	4,700	0	450	9.4
Other finance, insurance, & real estate (including credit agencies other than banks; security & commodity exchange & services; etc.)	6,500	6,550	6,200	- 50	300	5.0
SERVICES EXCEPT DOMESTIC	119,550	119,300	114,600	250	4,950	4.3
Hotels, rooming houses, camps, & other lodging places	7,450	7,450	7,550	0	- 100	- 1.2
Personal services	6,250	6,250	6,050	0	200	3.4
Business services	18,150	17,600	17,350	550	800	4.7
Automotive repair, services, & garages	4,050	4,100	4,050	- 50	0	0.1
Amusement & recreation	7,850	7,900	7,200	- 50	650	9.6
Health services	42,650	41,900	39,800	750	2,850	7.1
Educational services	6,450	6,350	6,700	100	- 250	- 3.7
Social services	5,750	5,850	5,700	-100	50	0.8
Membership organizations	8,250	9,350	8,650	-1,100	- 400	- 5.0
Other services (including legal & other professional services; miscellaneous repair services; agricultural services; etc.)	12,650	12,650	11,550	0	1,100	9.6
GOVERNMENT	120,550	120,900	123,700	-350	-3,150	- 2.6
Federal	16,950	17,000	16,100	- 50	850	5.4
State	31,350	30,100	31,250	1,250	100	0.3
Local	72,250	73,800	76,400	-1,550	-4,150	- 5.4

1/ Rounded to nearest 50, and subtotals may not add to totals due to rounding. Percent change based on unrounded data.
2/ Source of data: Current Employment Statistics Program.
3/ Preliminary estimate.
4/ Revised.

NOTE: These estimates are based on March 1979 benchmark. All months are comparable.

AUGUST 1980 IN REVIEW . . . . . .

Employment in Nebraska's nonagricultural industries increased by 350 from July 1980 to August 1980. This included a rise of 950 in manufacturing, along with a drop of 600 in nonmanufacturing.

The increase of 950 in manufacturing was primarily in nondurable goods (650), with the remainder in durable goods. The majority of the increase in nondurable goods occurred in food and kindred products (450).

Services had a month-to-month gain of 250, including gains of 550 in business services and 750 in health services.

From July 1980 to August 1980, there were employment losses in construction/mining (-250), trade (-150), finance-insurance-real estate (-150), and government (-350). The drop of 150 in trade included a decrease of 300 in wholesale trade which more than counterbalanced a gain of 150 in retail trade. The primary decrease in government was in local government (-1,550).

On a month-to-month basis, employment levels in transportation-communication-utilities remained relatively unchanged.

ANNUAL CHANGES. . . . . .

Employment in Nebraska's nonagricultural industries decreased by 7,200 from August 1979 to August 1980. This included a drop of 5,500 in manufacturing, and a decline of 1,750 in nonmanufacturing.

The decrease of 5,500 in manufacturing was almost entirely in durable goods (-5,250), with the small amount remaining occurring in nondurable goods. Three categories of durable goods contributed over two-thirds of the decline: machinery except electrical (-1,300), electrical and electronic machinery, equipment and supplies (-1,450), and metals (-1,000).

Year-to-year increases occurred in finance-insurance-real estate (1,800), and services (4,950). The primary gainer in services was health services (2,350).

Year-to-year losses occurred in construction/mining (-3,900), transportation-communication-utilities (-850), trade (-650), and government (-3,150). The decrease of 650 in trade included a small gain of 400 in wholesale trade that was more than offset by a loss of 1,050 in retail trade. The two largest employment reductions in retail trade were in general merchandise stores (-650), and automobile dealers and gasoline service stations (-700). The major decline in government employment occurred in local government (-4,150).

OUTLOOK . . . . . .

Employment activity in October 1980 is projected to show a small gain in agricultural employment, following customary seasonal trends. Manufacturing is expected to have a slight increase. At the same time, a minor drop is anticipated in transportation-communication-utilities. Construction/mining is expected to experience a substantial reduction in employment, resulting from customary seasonal trends. It is anticipated that government will show a moderate decrease, primarily reflecting the reduction in outdoor-related activities. Employment levels are expected to remain relatively unchanged in trade, finance-insurance-real estate, and service.

WORKER SUPPLY AND EMPLOYER DEMAND

APPLICANTS AND NONAGRICULTURAL JOB OPENINGS IN NEBRASKA JOB SERVICE OFFICES [1]

August 1980

		Applicants Available FY to date [2]	Active File	Nonag Job Openings Received FY to date [2]	Unfilled Total	Unfilled 30 days or more	Applicants/ Openings FY to date	Active File/ Unfilled Openings End-of-mo.	Unfilled Openings 30 days + % of total
TOTAL [3]		121,449	30,924	63,429	5,502	3,200	1.91	5.62	58.2
0 - 1	Professional, technical and managerial	12,872	3,745	4,865	1,615	1,273	2.65	2.32	78.8
2	Clerical and sales	30,858	7,662	14,512	1,907	1,042	2.13	4.02	54.6
	Entry codes [4]	6,724	1,352	-----	-----	-----	----	----	----
	20-24 Clerical	18,517	4,864	11,671	1,608	885	1.59	3.02	55.0
	25-29 Sales	5,617	1,446	2,841	299	157	1.98	4.84	52.5
3	Service	18,613	5,024	11,701	788	310	1.59	6.38	39.3
	Entry codes [4]	3,220	680	-----	-----	-----	----	----	----
	30 Domestic	1,211	336	2,152	62	21	0.56	5.42	33.9
	31-39 Other	14,182	4,008	9,549	726	289	1.49	5.52	39.8
4	Farm, forestry, fisheries	7,540	808	5,332	86	21	1.41	9.40	24.4
5	Processing	2,903	706	2,933	33	17	0.99	21.39	51.5
6	Machine trades	5,392	1,609	1,953	125	45	2.76	12.87	36.0
7	Bench work	5,437	1,603	1,662	84	52	3.27	19.08	61.9
8	Structural work	14,612	3,709	7,285	350	108	2.01	10.60	30.9
9	Miscellaneous	16,166	4,417	13,113	281	100	1.23	15.72	35.6
	Entry codes [4]	3,335	756	-----	-----	-----	----	----	----
	90-91 Motor freight transportation	5,643	1,650	5,136	119	37	1.10	13.87	31.1
	92 Packaging, materials handling	6,670	1,832	7,499	119	36	0.89	15.39	30.3
	93-97 Other [5]	518	179	478	43	27	1.08	4.16	62.8

1/ Source of data: ESARS (Employment Security Autoamted Reporting System).
2/ Period covered: 10-1-79 through 8-31-80. FY 1980 defined as 10-1-79 through 9-30-80.
3/ Total includes occupational codes not assigned.
4/ Applicants for whom a complete occupational code cannot be assigned because of lack of training/experience.
5/ Includes mining, logging, utilities, miscellaneous amusement and recreation, graphic art work.

JOB OPENINGS IN NEBRASKA JOB SERVICE OFFICES [1/]

BY OCCUPATION

August 1980

OCCUPATIONAL CATEGORY	OPENINGS AVAILABLE				OPENINGS UNFILLED AT MONTH END			
	NUMBER		AVERAGE PAY		TOTAL		UNFILLED 30 DAYS OR MORE	
	Current	Last Month	Current	Last Month	Current	Last Month	Current	Last Month
TOTAL, ALL OCCUPATIONS	5,205	4,076	$ 8,778/yr	$ 8,946/yr	2,520	1,722	786	691
Professional, Technical, and Managerial	736	691	11,140/yr	11,780/yr	551	478	234	290
Clerical and Sales	1,613	1,059	7,632/yr	7,874/yr	927	469	207	184
Service	829	660	3.46/hr	3.45/hr	372	266	135	94
Farming, Fishery, Forestry & related	91	86	3.80/hr	3.84/hr	27	28	14	8
Processing	231	210	5.09/hr	4.71/hr	27	20	14	1
Machine Trades	274	214	4.98/hr	5.12/hr	120	90	40	23
Bench Work	193	138	3.62/hr	3.78/hr	75	77	38	19
Structural Work	694	668	4.62/hr	4.45/hr	257	204	63	62
Miscellaneous	544	350	4.48/hr	4.18/hr	164	90	41	10

1/ Source of data: Job Bank data from Nebraska Job Service offices.

ESTIMATES OF HOURS AND EARNINGS IN NEBRASKA MANUFACTURING 1/

August 1980

	AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS			AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS			AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS		
	Aug 1980 2/	July 1980 3/	Aug 1979 3/	Aug 1980 2/	July 1980 3/	Aug 1979 3/	Aug 1980 2/	July 1980 3/	Aug 1979 3/
MANUFACTURING - TOTAL	$302.60	$297.00	$270.50	40.4	39.6	40.8	$7.49	$7.50	$6.63
Durable goods	287.56	281.35	262.51	39.5	38.7	40.2	7.28	7.27	6.53
Lumber, stone, clay, glass products	250.26	250.04	235.15	40.3	40.2	41.4	6.21	6.22	5.68
Primary and fabricated metals	300.55	306.75	262.28	37.9	38.2	39.8	7.93	8.03	6.59
Machinery and transportation equipment	308.83	298.38	280.40	39.9	38.5	40.0	7.74	7.75	7.01
Nondurable goods	318.42	313.07	279.04	41.3	40.5	41.4	7.71	7.73	6.74
Food and kindred products	355.58	350.68	307.52	43.1	42.2	42.3	8.25	8.31	7.27
Meat products	377.83	372.28	331.97	42.5	41.0	41.6	8.89	9.08	7.98
Dairy products	231.26	213.73	208.17	40.5	37.3	39.5	5.71	5.73	5.27
Grain mill products	435.31	448.80	349.86	48.1	51.0	49.0	9.05	8.80	7.14
Bakery products	267.07	256.78	234.18	35.8	34.7	34.9	7.46	7.40	6.71
Other food and kindred products	258.49	243.01	229.82	42.1	40.3	39.9	6.14	6.03	5.76
Printing and publishing	266.95	255.25	262.06	38.3	37.1	41.4	6.97	6.88	6.33
Chemicals and allied products	295.58	300.22	268.36	42.9	43.7	41.8	6.89	6.87	6.42

1/ Source of data: Current Employment Statistics Program.
2/ Preliminary.
3/ Revised.

Average weekly earnings in Nebraska manufacturing increased by $5.60 from July 1980 to August 1980. This included a rise of $6.21 in durable goods and a gain of $5.35 in nondurable goods. Year-to-year, average weekly earnings increased by $32.10, with durable goods increasing by $25.05 and nondurable goods also gaining by $39.38.

Average weekly hours increased by 0.8 hours from July 1980 to August 1980, but dropped by 0.4 hours from August 1979.

Average hourly earnings had a very slight dip of $.01 from July 1980 to August 1980, but showed a strong gain of $.86 from August 1979 to August 1980.

ESTIMATES OF ACCESSION AND SEPARATION RATES IN NEBRASKA MANUFACTURING 1/

(Per 1,000 Workers)

JULY 1980

INDUSTRY	ACCESSION RATES						SEPARATION RATES								
	Total			New Hires			Total			Quits			Layoffs		
	Jul 2/ 1980	Jun 3/ 1980	Jul 3/ 1979	Jul 2/ 1980	Jun 3/ 1980	Jul 3/ 1979	Jul 2/ 1980	Jun 3/ 1980	Jul 3/ 1979	Jul 2/ 1980	Jun 3/ 1980	Jul 3/ 1979	Jul 2/ 1980	Jun 3/ 1980	Jul 3/ 1979
MANUFACTURING - TOTAL	26	32	39	18	22	35	32	37	37	17	14	27	10	14	3
Durable goods	21	26	42	12	17	39	33	41	39	14	12	27	13	18	3
Lumber, stone, clay, glass products	32	63	61	22	37	59	33	30	50	21	19	42	4	3	1
Furniture and fixtures	7	23	40	7	23	38	26	16	76	19	9	27	4/	4/	7
Primary and fabricated metals	19	21	40	7	12	37	33	52	46	12	12	25	16	35	11
Machinery and Trans. equipment	16	18	37	6	11	34	33	43	33	11	10	24	18	17	1
Other durable goods	45	49	52	39	36	48	32	34	40	26	19	35	2	10	4/
Nondurable goods	32	38	36	25	28	31	30	33	35	19	17	27	6	10	2
Food and kindred products	36	46	35	33	34	29	29	30	33	20	17	26	3	7	2
Meat products	36	35	34	34	25	25	22	31	28	17	19	22	4/	8	2
Dairy products	23	29	15	23	23	15	24	15	34	21	15	31	3	4/	3
Grain mill products	20	62	26	18	57	24	34	24	22	15	6	17	12	9	4/
Bakery products	55	44	29	49	36	26	41	40	50	27	26	40	7	4/	2
Other food and kindred products	50	71	64	43	44	57	46	38	52	32	22	40	2	9	2
Textiles and apparel	38	25	63	27	25	55	54	37	59	39	25	47	9	6	8
Paper and allied products	20	35	19	20	17	16	48	18	25	16	15	21	26	4/	1
Printing and publishing	18	27	42	16	24	40	23	27	44	18	20	35	2	1	1
Chemicals and allied products	9	19	11	9	17	11	9	18	17	4	9	12	2	4	1
Petroleum, rubber, plastic products and leather	47	23	35	6	6	31	46	68	35	12	8	26	25	51	3

1/ Source of data: Labor Turnover Program.

2/ Preliminary. 3/ Revised.

NOTE: Accessions other than new hires, and separations other than quits and layoffs are not shown separately, but are included in the appropriate totals.

4/ Less than one-half.

Accessions in Nebraska manufacturing dropped from 32 per 1,000 workers in June 1980 to 26 per 1,000 workers in July 1980. During that period, durable goods decreased from 26 per 1,000 to 21 per 1,000, and nondurable goods also dipped from 38 per 1.000 to 32 per 1,000. Year-to-year, accessions in Nebraska manufacturing decreased from 39 per 1,000 to 26 per 1,000, with durable goods declining from 42 per 1,000 to 21 per 1,000, and nondurable goods also dipping from 36 per 1,000 to 32 per 1,000. Separation rates dropped by the same extent, both month-to-month and year-to-year: 37 per 1,000 to 32 per 1,000. Layoffs dropped from 14 per 1,000 in June 1980 to 10 per 1,000 in July 1980, but increased from 3 per 1,000 to 10 per 1,000 on a year-to-year basis.

SELECTED UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE ACTIVITIES

AUGUST 1980

UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE (STATE UI)	August 1980	July 1980	August 1979
CLAIMS RECEIVED - AREA CLAIMS CENTERS			
Initial claims	5,297	7,776	3,210
Weeks claimed	45,529	55,391	22,246
BENEFIT ACTIVITIES			
Payments from UI funds	$ 3,458,227	$ 4,071,664	$ 1,263,549
Calendar year to date	$32,350,751	$28,892,524	$18,247,223
Average size of weekly payments	$ 88.69	$ 89.03	$ 76.06
First payments	3,219	3,669	1,747
Exhaustions	1,057	1,164	455
Individuals who drew benefits	14,021	14,994	6,101
Rate of insured unemployment	1.9	2.1	0.9
UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION FOR FEDERAL EMPLOYEES (UCFE)			
Payments from UCFE funds	$ 80,791	$ 77,823	$ 45,495
Average size of weekly payments	$ 74.39	$ 75.48	$ 69.04
First payments	57	76	41
Exhaustions	15	20	11
UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION FOR EX-SERVICEMEN (UCX)			
Payments from UCX funds	$ 41,719	$ 47,622	$ 13,542
Average size of weekly payments	$ 85.49	$ 83.40	$ 81.58
First payments	57	50	11
Exhaustions	4	1	1
COVERAGE AND CONTRIBUTIONS			
Subject employers - end of month	36,237	36,043	36,544
Contributions received	$ 6,621,877	$ 2,674,066	$ 3,553,767
FINANCIAL DATA			
End of month fund balance	$84,374,961	$79,220,510	$79,089,966

UI initial claims received in area claims centers decreased from 7,776 in July 1980 to 5,297 in August 1980. Weeks claimed decreased from 55,391 to 45,529 over the same period.

UI benefit payments decreased from 4.1 million in July to 3.5 million in August 1980.

The number of insured unemployed decreased from 12,307 to 11,619. The rate of insured unemployment decreased from 2.1% in July to 1.9% in August 1980.

The year-to-date contributions stood at 30.8 million compared to 27.4 million one year ago.

The fund balance stood at 84.4 million compared to 79.1 million one year ago.

NEBRASKA

CHARACTERISTICS OF THE INSURED UNEMPLOYED 1/

AUGUST 1980

SEX	Amount	Percent of Total
Male	5,623	55.5
Female	4,514	44.5
RACE/ETHNIC		
White	9,035	89.1
All Other Races	1,102	10.9
AGE		
Under 22	1,561	15.4
22 - 44	6,354	62.7
45 & over	2,222	21.9
WEEKS UNEMPLOYED		
4 or less	4,011	39.6
5 - 14	4,682	46.2
15 & over	1,444	14.2

OCCUPATION	Amount	Percent of Total
Professional, Technical and Managerial	1,523	15.0
Clerical and Sales	1,972	19.5
Service	1,061	10.5
Farm and Related	103	1.0
Processing	390	3.9
Machine Trades	755	7.5
Bench Work	1,048	10.2
Structural Work	1,814	17.8
Miscellaneous	1,471	14.6
INDUSTRY		
Construction and Mining	1,156	11.4
Manufacturing	3,449	34.0
Durable Goods	2,324	22.9
Nondurable Goods	1,125	11.1
Transportation, Communications and Utilities	442	4.4
Trade (Wholesale & Retail)	2,128	21.0
Finance, Insurance, and Real Estate	236	2.3
Services	1,673	16.5
Government	292	2.9
Other	761	7.5

1/ Source of Data: Percentages computed from a count of all insured unemployed claimants filing at the Nebraska UI AREA CLAIMS CENTERS for a one-week period including the 19th of the month.
The insured claimant count for August was 10,137.

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THE CONSUMER PRICE INDEX

Facts About the Consumer Price Index

The Consumer Price Index (CPI) is a statistical measure of change, over time, in the prices of goods and services in major expenditure groups - such as food and beverages, housing, apparel, transportation, medical care, and entertainment - typically purchased by urban consumers. It measures the change in prices by comparing what a sample "market basket" of goods and services cost today with what the same sample market basket cost at an earlier date.

The CPI for All Urban Consumers covers about 80 percent of the total noninstitutional population. It includes, in addition to wage earners and clerical workers, groups which historically have been excluded from CPI coverage - salaried workers, the self-employed, retirees, and the unemployed.

The CPI for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers covers about 40 percent of the total noninstitutional population.

U. S. CITY AVERAGE

CONSUMER PRICE INDEX, AUGUST 1980

	ALL URBAN CONSUMERS (CPI-U)			WAGE EARNERS AND CLERICAL WORKERS (CPI-W)		
		Percent Change From			Percent Change From	
	INDEX 1967=100	1 Month Ago	1 Year Ago	INDEX 1967=100	1 Month Ago	1 Year Ago
ALL ITEMS	249.4	0.6	12.8	249.6	0.6	12.7
FOOD AND BEVERAGES	252.0	1.5	9.5	252.5	1.4	9.6
Food	258.7	1.5	9.5	259.2	1.4	9.6
Food at home	256.3	1.9	9.6	255.6	1.8	9.5
Cereals & bakery products	249.2	0.6	11.4	249.6	0.6	11.4
Meats, poultry, fish, & eggs	245.4	3.7	6.6	244.3	3.5	6.4
Dairy products	229.7	0.5	10.1	229.9	0.3	10.1
Fruits and vegetables	258.4	1.8	8.7	256.6	1.4	8.3
Other foods at home	307.8	1.2	12.8	307.4	1.2	13.1
Food away from home	269.5	0.6	9.3	272.3	0.6	9.9
Alcoholic beverages	188.7	0.8	8.9	190.6	0.7	9.8
HOUSING	265.8	0.3	14.8	265.8	0.3	14.8
Shelter	283.3	0.1	16.2	284.8	0.2	16.5
Rent (residential)	193.2	0.6	8.8	193.0	0.6	8.9
Other rental costs	267.5	0.7	12.3	267.3	0.7	12.5
Homeownership	315.4	-0-	17.9	318.1	0.1	18.3
Fuel and other utilities	286.8	0.5	16.0	287.4	0.5	16.0
Fuels	362.5	0.5	21.0	362.1	0.5	20.8
Fuel oil, coal, & bottled gas	561.5	0.2	28.0	562.7	0.1	28.2
Gas (piped) & electricity	316.1	0.6	18.6	315.4	0.6	18.3
Household furnishings & operation	207.2	0.5	8.4	204.5	0.5	7.7
APPAREL AND UPKEEP	178.6	1.4	7.4	177.9	1.4	7.0
Men's & boys' apparel	167.9	1.2	5.2	168.4	0.7	4.5
Women's & girls' apparel	153.7	2.1	1.6	154.1	2.8	2.4
Footwear	190.3	0.4	7.2	190.0	0.4	7.4
TRANSPORTATION	252.7	0.7	15.1	253.5	0.6	14.9
Private transportation	251.6	0.4	14.2	252.7	0.5	14.2
Public transportation	261.5	4.4	30.2	256.9	4.5	28.1
MEDICAL CARE	268.4	0.7	11.0	270.0	0.8	11.3
Medical care services	289.8	0.6	11.2	291.7	0.8	11.7
ENTERTAINMENT	206.0	0.7	9.4	205.6	0.6	8.8
OTHER GOODS AND SERVICES	214.5	0.5	8.9	214.0	0.5	8.5
ALL ITEMS (1957-59=100)	290.0			290.3		